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You'll Read

In This Issue

NATIONAL RAM SALE

It's National Ram Sale time, and most of this issue is about the outstanding rams that are headed for the 40th recurrence of this event in the Coliseum, Ogden, Utah, August 18-19. Our feature is a very informal, delightful report by Assistant Secretary Edwin E. Marsh, who manages the sale, about the "home life" of these rams, the careful breeding, good feed and management practices that give the 1365 entries in the sale such high quality. Mr. Marsh's tour of the ram country commences on page 36.

DOES IT PAY TO FEED

ANTIBIOTICS?

A very extensive experiment with the use of Aureomycin in feeding lambs is in progress at the ranch of the Sutter Basin Corporation at Robbins, California. Thus far the work indicates that the addition of this chemical to pelleted rations may reduce losses in feeder lambs under feed-lot conditions and put unthrifty cull lambs into a more profitable class. The story of this experiment appears on page 9.

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE

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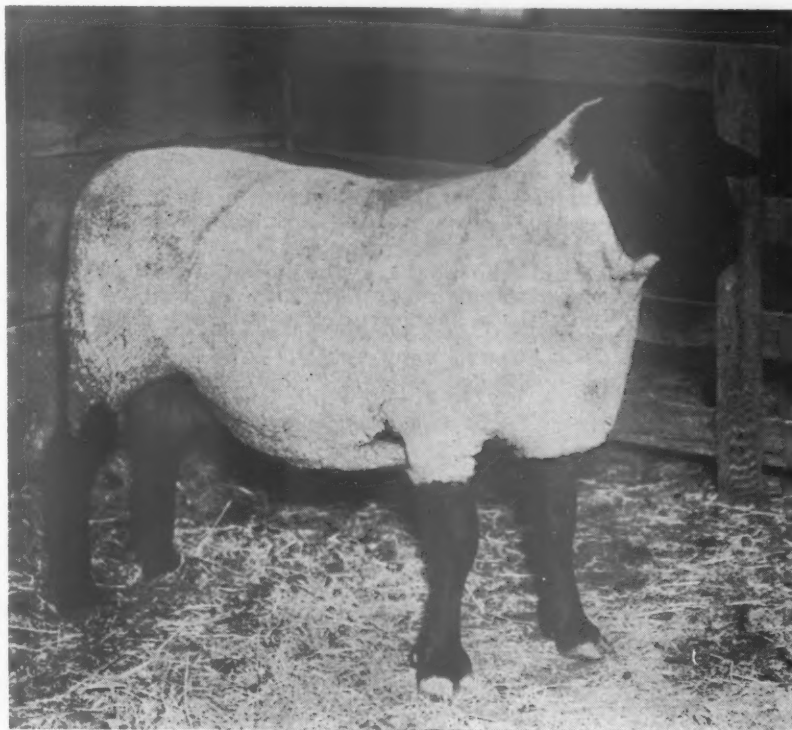
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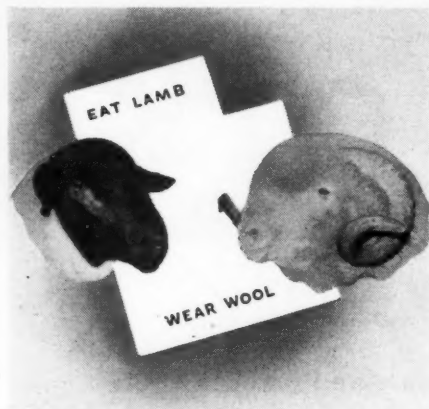


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Salt Lake Ram Sale

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DISASTER AID

President Eisenhower, before taking off for Geneva, signed the bill (H.R. 4915) to extend the authority of the USDA to make special disaster loans to farmers and livestock men to July 14, 1957.

NEVADA FEE TEST CASE

Federal Judge John R. Ross has granted the Government's motion to dismiss the Nevada livestockmen's grazing fee case. His decision was made on the grounds that Secretary of the Interior McKay is an indispensable party to the action, and he is not a resident of Nevada.

Attorneys for the stockmen are now said to be preparing to file an identical case in a District of Columbia Court against the Secretary since Washington is his official residence.

Nevada stockmen are challenging the Government's right to change the formula for assessing grazing fees on BLM lands under the Taylor Grazing Act.

SUFFOLK MEETING

The American Suffolk Sheep Society will hold its annual meeting at 8 p.m. Thursday, August 18, in the Hotel Ben Lomond, Ogden, Utah. Secretary Hickman announces this will not be a dinner meeting because the National Ram Sale barbecue is served the same evening.

PSYA COMPLAINT FILED

A formal complaint against the much-discussed Denver Union Stockyard Company regulation 10 (c) has been filed with the Packers and Stockyards Administration by Producers Livestock Marketing Association, a Utah corporation operating at the Denver market.

The regulation restricts registered market agencies at Denver from country trading in Colorado, except for the eastern tier of counties.

Under the administrative procedure, the Denver Union Stockyard Company is preparing a formal answer to the complaint. A public hearing then will be held on the case. The stockyard company is asking that the hearing be conducted in Denver.

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The national average support price to wheat producers for the 1955 crop will be \$2.08 a bushel or two cents a bushel above the minimum price announced last fall. In 1954 the national average support price was \$2.24 a bushel.

NEW FS INFORMATION CHIEF

Early in July Clint Davis, who for the past nine years has directed the Smokey Bear forest fire campaign, was named chief of the Forest Service Division of Information and Education. He succeeds Dana Parkinson, who retired on June 30, after 45 years with the Service.

NATIONAL BEEF COUNCIL

Forest Noel will head the National Beef Council, according to an announcement recently made by the Council from its headquarters in Chicago, Illinois. Mr. Noel was formerly head of the Montana Beef Council. The National Beef Council was established last April by representatives of 40 cattle, feeder, farm, dairy and allied beef industry organizations from all sections of the United States. Its purpose is to "increase beef and beef product consumption through research, education, promotion and merchandising methods on a nationwide basis."

MORE SHEEP IN NEW ZEALAND

New Zealand boasts an increase of nearly a million head of sheep over last year, according to latest official estimates. This brings her sheep population to about 39 million head. Of the total, 25,350,000 are breeding ewes. The New Zealand Government said the increase is due to the increased carrying capacity of its hill country as a result of aerial top-dressing with fertilizer, better farm management practices, and more favorable wool and meat prices.

CALIFORNIA SCRAPIE OUTBREAK

Scrapie has been diagnosed recently in a Suffolk ram in a flock near Thornton, San Joaquin County, California. The ram was believed to have been brought into California from Oregon.

The diagnosis was made by both Federal and State livestock authorities and confirmed by tests at the USDA Animal Disease Laboratory at Beltsville, Maryland, and also in the laboratory of the State Department of Agriculture in Sacramento.

The diseased ram was destroyed and the flock of 217 sheep quarantined. The value of the flock is being appraised and all of the animals will be destroyed and indemnities paid as provided by California State law.

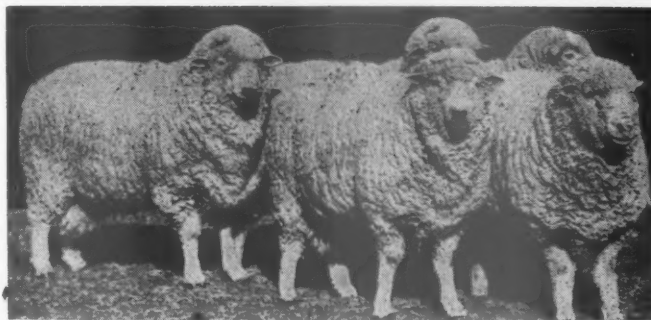
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RESEARCH NEWS

Under good drying conditions, putting hay through a hay crusher boosted the drying rate of alfalfa hay and it can be a big help in getting good quality hay into the barn, according to tests at Michigan State College. In unfavorable weather, however, or after a rain when soil moisture is high, there is no advantage to crushing. The Michigan researchers further point out that farmers there can save a third to half of the drying time by crushing the hay, thus making it ready for the baler sooner.



President Harlan H. Hatcher of the University of Michigan is shown accepting a \$100,000 grant from Ford Motor Company Fund for a three-year basic research program into the relationships between plant roots and the soil. At right, making the presentation, is Irving A. Duffy, Ford vice president and general manager of the Tractor and Implementation Division. Others in the picture are, left, Henry Ford II, president of the company, and Congressman Harold D. Cooley of North Carolina, chairman of the House Committee on Agriculture, who was the main speaker at the formal opening of Ford's new Farm Machinery Research and Engineering Center in Birmingham, Michigan.

Results of studies recently reported by the Nebraska Experiment Station show that nitrogen can greatly increase corn yields on irrigated soils that are low in nitrogen and organic matter. The Nebraska researchers also found that nitrogen increases the protein con-

tent of the corn grain and that any nitrogen not completely used by the crop during the year it is applied, will benefit the next year's crop.

In the tests, an average yield of 39 bushels an acre was produced on a non-fertilized check plot. But where 40 pounds of nitrogen were applied per acre, the yield averaged 72 bushels. And where 80 to 120 pounds of nitrogen were applied, the yields were 93 and 110 bushels per acre respectively.

The residual effect of nitrogen was also found to be in direct proportion to the amount applied the previous year. On the plots where 40, 80 and 120 pounds of nitrogen had been applied, the yield increases were, respectively, 5, 11, and 18 bushels per acre.

Earlier and fatter lambs can be produced on range lands of California through proper use of nitrogen fertilizer, according to W. E. Martin, soils specialist of the California Agricultural Extension Service. Ranges can be made ready for grazing in December by the use of this fertilizer.

It isn't the cold that prevents the pasture from growing during the winter in much of California's range land, Mr. Martin asserts. It is lack of nitrogen. The decay of vegetable matter is slower in cooler weather and there is less nitrogen released for the growth of grass.

Chemicals have their greatest use in the clearance of range land in cases where brush grows back after burning. The chemicals finish off the job. "Don't supplement by spraying first," W. A. Harvey, weed specialist of the California Agricultural Extension Service, cautions. "Spray the sprouts after burning."

Twenty million acres of wild lands in the Intermountain Region of this country should be reseeded for greater forage production for livestock grazing and for better watershed protection and soil stabilization, according to a new U. S. Department of Agriculture handbook entitled, "Seeding Rangelands in Utah, Nevada, Southern Idaho, and Western Wyoming."

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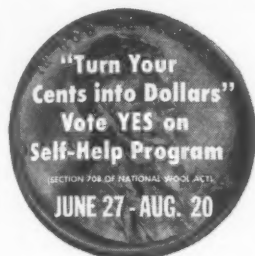
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In Memoriam



Mr. Caine—long, active livestock career.

JOHN T. CAINE III

ONE of the great men of the livestock industry, John T. Caine III, died quietly at his home Tuesday morning, July 5 of a heart attack. He had been under the doctor's care for the past year and had been unable to attend the 1955 National Western Livestock Show, as he was recovering from an operation. Since that time, however, he had been performing his duties as general manager of the show.

Funeral services were held in Denver on July 9, and his body was taken to his birthplace, Logan, Utah, for burial services on the 11th.

John T. Caine III was born on June 4, 1882. He graduated in animal husbandry in 1903 from the Utah State Agricultural College, an institution of which his father, John T. Caine, Jr., was one of the founders. Two years later he received a Master's degree in animal husbandry at the Iowa State College at Ames.

His long, active career in the livestock industry began in 1906 when he became superintendent of the Utah State College's livestock division and soon had charge of the animal husbandry and dairy departments of that institution. Later, he worked with Farmers' Institutes throughout Utah and adjoining States.

He became associated with the Utah Extension Service in 1914 and its director in 1916. He served under Herbert Hoover's Food Administration and was in charge of wartime livestock production through 15 Western States.

Between 1922 and 1925, he was associated with the Chicago Union Stockyards Company. In 1925 he became chief of the Packers and Stockyards Administration of the United States Department of Agriculture. Three years later he returned to the Chicago Stockyards Company as public relations representative and general superintendent of the International Livestock Exposition. In 1943 he accepted the position of manager of the National Western Stock Show and his record of high accomplishment for that show is well known by all livestock people.

In recognition of his outstanding services to the livestock industry, his portrait was hung in the famous gallery of the Saddle and Sirloin Club of Chicago in December, 1952. He received an honorary Doctor of Science degree from the Utah State Agricultural College in 1951, and in 1952 the National 4-H Foundation honored him with an award for his contribution to the 4-H movement.

Mrs. Caine, who was Miss Jean Crookston prior to her marriage in 1912, one daughter, two sons and six grandchildren survive; also a sister, Mrs. Blanche Hyde of Ogden, Utah, and three brothers—George and Lawrence B. of Logan and Arthur Caine of Boise, Idaho.

Members of the livestock industry throughout the Nation will mourn the passing of John T. Caine III. There is little need for eulogistic statements to be phrased about him. He engraved them himself in the hearts of his legion of friends. For he had that rare quality of being able to be kind to, and friendly with everyone while at the same time never swerving from his strong religious and ethical convictions. The livestock industry and the Nation have indeed suffered a severe loss.

CHARLES H. HOWLAND

IN the passing of Charles H. Howland, 69, at Weiser, Idaho, on July 4, 1955, the sheep industry has lost a valued member.

Mr. Howland was among the early purebred sheep owners of the West. He purchased some Lincoln rams in the first National Ram Sale in 1916; and in the next year's sale, he sold Hampshire and Lincoln rams. Later his breeding operations were confined to Hampshires, and in more recent years, his attention was turned to Suffolks. The firm of Charles Howland and Son has offered many fine rams of this breed in the National Sale. Mr. Howland has also been a consignor to the Idaho sales since the early 20's. Rams from his flock have been sold in both the Filer and Pocatello sales.

Born in Alligen, Michigan, on August 7, 1885, Mr. Howland came to western

Idaho in 1900. He died in a Weiser hospital after an illness of some length. At the time of his death he was a member of the Idaho Cattlemen's Association, the Idaho Wool Growers Association and the National Wool Growers Association. Mrs. Howland, three sons and two daughters survive.

H. C. NOELKE, JR.

A prominent rancher and Corriedale breeder of Sheffield, Texas, H. C. (Hub) Noelke, Jr., 41, was instantly killed on May 27 when his station wagon and trailer were side-swiped by a truck.

Recognized as one of the leading sheep breeders of the Southwest, Mr. Noelke began his career in the ranch business and in breeding registered Corriedale sheep with his father, the late Herbert Clayton Noelke. Registered Rambouillets were added in more recent years to the enterprise.

Mr. Noelke was past president of the American Corriedale Association and is credited with making a vital contribution to the advancement of the breed, not only in the Southwest but over the Nation. For his outstanding achievement with Corriedales, Mr. Noelke was to have been given the Guthrie award at the All-American Corriedale Show and Sale at Laramie, Wyoming, on July 28. The award is to be made posthumously at that event.

Mr. Noelke's interest in the sheep industry was not confined to breeding operations. He worked for improving ranch methods and was a pioneer in the Texas soil conservation work. He was a director of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association and also of the Western Texas Wool and Mohair Association.

JOHN ROCK

FRIENDS of P. J. Rock, prominent Suffolk breeder of Drumheller, Alberta, Canada, will be grieved to know that his elder son, John Rock, died very suddenly Sunday, June 26.

FRANKLIN W. HOBBS

FRANKLIN Warren Hobbs, a leader in the New England textile industry for many years, passed away at his home in Boston, June 23 at the age of 86.

Mr. Hobbs was associated for more than 60 years with Arlington Mills, later known as William Whitman Company. He was an executive officer for 57 years, retiring as board chairman in 1952.

Many wool growers will remember Mr. Hobbs, as he attended many conventions as president of the National Wool Manufacturers Association, a position he held from 1926 to 1933.



View of some of the pens where the Sutter Basin Corporation tests are underway.

Does It Pay to Feed Antibiotics?

FEED LOT EXPERIMENTS INDICATE THAT FEEDER LAMB LOSSES MAY BE REDUCED

IN California, one of the Nation's foremost lamb growing centers, probably the most extensive tests ever undertaken are in progress to determine the economic value of antibiotics in the feed lot. These tests are being watched carefully by feeders throughout the country who are interested in increasing their profits by improving the quality of their lambs.

Previous tests have indicated that the addition of Aureomycin (chemical name, chlortetracycline) to lamb rations may help bring more quality lamb products to America's dinner tables.

The experiments gain in importance when it is recognized that more and more farmers and ranchers are turning to feed-lot operations instead of pasture feeding. The use of pelleted rations in feed lots has been accepted generally as the most practical and economical method for feeding lambs in this type of operation.

The tests, now in progress, are being conducted by the Sutter Basin Corporation, Ltd., Robbins, California, in cooperation with the University of California School of Veterinary Medicine at nearby Davis, California, and American Cyanamid Company.

The purpose of these tests on the Sutter Basin Corporation's 12,000-acre ranch is to determine the level of Aureomycin in the feed and the feeding program necessary to reduce losses in feeder lambs under feed-lot conditions.

The problems which these trials hope

to solve have faced the California lamb feeding industry for many years. Outbreaks of shipping fever, especially during the first month on feed, have caused heavy economic losses in all lambs transported to the feeding centers in the Central Valley of California, particularly those originating in the North Coast area of California and some areas in western Oregon.

The percentage of tail-enders or cull lambs is frequently high enough to make the entire operation non-profitable. Enterotoxemia is a third problem which these trials hope to find the answer to.

While the Sutter Basin trials are being undertaken with reference to all these problems, many lamb growers and feeders undoubtedly will be most interested in the effect of antibiotic feeding on the dull and unthrifty cull lambs.

The economic advantage of a feeding practice that will transform the "tail-enders," or scrub lamb into meat of good choice grade is obvious. Here lies a project which is "dear to the heart" of Phil Larner, energetic president of Sutter Basin Corporation.

Larner, a one-time Oklahoma farm boy who returned to the land nine years ago as boss of the Sutter Basin enterprise after a successful career as a Los Angeles industrialist, sees high stakes involved.

He and his livestock superintendent, Kempton Clark, note that at least 10 percent of California's average lamb production winds up in the category of

cull or scrub lambs. It is their belief that the big majority of such lambs may be developed into top market animals by use of a good pelleted green feed supplemented with Aureomycin.

Two 1954 scrub lamb tests in the Sutter Basin Corporation feed lots bear them out. These tests, which were reported in California last winter, brought many inquiries from feeders and gave impetus to the new big scale trials.

Larner's report on the first test covers the period July 27, 1954, when 61 head of scrub lambs from a total of 358 head were sent to an auction yard for sale, to December 14, 1954, when marketing was completed.

The 61 head auctioned in July were described as fairly representative of the total number. Weighing an average of 50.25 pounds per head, they sold at an average net price of \$7.45 a hundred-weight, or an average price of \$3.74 net per head. This discouraging performance prompted tests with feed fortified with Aureomycin on the remaining 297 head.

Prior to being fed rations containing Aureomycin, the animals received a pelleted ration of 35 percent ground barley, 8 percent cane molasses and 57 percent dehydrated clover and alfalfa meal. During this period—August 1 through 26—the average daily gain was .1876 pound per head. Four head died and nine head were sorted out and put with other good lambs for fattening. That left a balance of 284 head still considered to be scrub lambs.

Between August 27 and October 31, the same pelleted ration, *now fortified with Aureomycin*, was fed to the balance of 284 head, plus an additional 17 head of scrubs, or a test total of 314 head. The average daily gain for this period was .3405 pound a head and there was no death loss.

Of the 314 head, 235 were sorted and sold as good fat lambs averaging 93.14 pounds. The average price received was \$18.37 per hundredweight, or an average of \$17.11 per head.

The remaining 79 head, averaging 77.16 pounds, were still considered scrub lambs. An offer of \$8 per head straight across for the lot was rejected and the animals were transferred to a new feeding location—a shed open on one side and having a concrete floor.

Twenty-two additional head of scrubs were added to the 79 for a total of 101 head. Fed the same pelleted ration containing Aureomycin from November 1 through December 14, eighty-eight were sold as good fat lambs at an average weight of 91.42 pounds per head. The average price was \$18.50 per hundred-weight, or \$16.91 average per head. The death loss was four head, and the remaining nine head, averaging 83.33

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At Yakima-Leaders Meet



National Wool Growers Association Executive Committee and American Wool Council Directors, as well as their wives and families, enjoy some mouth-watering barbecued lamb, a highlight feature of the summer meeting in Yakima, Washington, June 27 and 28.

It was a dramatic moment when President J. H. Breckenridge, past presidents, vice presidents and members of the National Association's Executive Committee attending their summer meeting walked out of the Chinook Hotel, Yakima, Washington, the morning of June 27 to cast the first votes by mail in the referendum on activating the "self-help" section of the National Wool Act of 1954. For by coincidence, June 27, the opening day of the meeting, was also the opening day of the referendum.

It naturally followed that after the usual preliminary procedures and consideration of the Association's financial condition, the first matter to come before the executive group when they were called to order by President Breckenridge in the beautifully decorated Harvest Hall of the Chinook Hotel was the necessity of making wool growers everywhere conscious of the importance of voting in this referendum. For if owners of two-thirds or more of the sheep represented in the referendum approve the deduction of one cent a pound from their incentive payments an adequate fund will be provided for a wool and lamb advertising and promotion campaign that has the potential of making the sheep industry profitable enough to warrant expansion. Sheep owners have until August 19 to file their votes with the County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation offices.

Representatives from various States at the meeting told of planned local

gatherings, different types of publicity to be used to bring out voters in this referendum.

Stockpile Proposals

Next in importance on the Executive meeting agenda was discussion of proposals for disposal of the accumulated wool stockpile of the Commodity Credit Corporation. President Breckenridge was authorized to appoint a committee of three who with himself and Executive Secretary Jones are to study various disposal plans, including the holding of public auctions and sealed bid sales at stated intervals. (President Breckenridge later appointed F. T. Earwood of Texas, J. Kenneth Sexton of California, and Leonard Hay of Wyoming on this committee. They will meet with President Breckenridge and Secretary Jones in Denver on July 22.)

It was made known that the USDA desires to dispose of the CCC wools within a two-year period and has asked for proposals from various segments of the industry.

The current agreement of the CCC not to sell any of the stockpile wools below 103% of the 1954 loan value plus selling commission continues until November 1.

The Executive Committee unanimously expressed opposition to the sale of any of the CCC stockpile abroad at prices below those at which it is offered to domestic manufacturers. Their position was based on the conviction that

such wool would come back to the United States in the form of fabrics and clothing to compete with products manufactured here with higher cost wools and with higher priced labor. Since the American manufacturer is the only outlet for domestic wools, such competition would naturally injure future markets for wool produced in this country. Also, the question of having wool declared a surplus commodity would be involved in such procedure. The present stockpile, it was announced, amounts to around 150 million pounds of wool.

Federal Lamb Grading

Another major topic considered at some length was that of Federal grading of lamb. The desirability of having specifications for the various grades modified or of having Federal grading of lamb discontinued altogether were mentioned as solutions to the problem. The outcome of the discussion was instruction to President Breckenridge to call a meeting of all segments of the lamb industry to consider the grading problem and to appoint a committee of three, in addition to the president and the executive secretary, with full power to act for the NWGA in that meeting.

Vice President Angus McIntosh of Colorado; Lloyd Avilla, president of the California Wool Growers Association, and Vice President Don Clyde of Utah, were appointed by the President as the NWGA representatives at the lamb grading conference. (This conference has been set for Salt Lake City, Utah, July 29-30 at the Hotel Utah.)

Public Land Items

The Executive Committee adopted this resolution unanimously: "We oppose the increase in fees by the BLM based on the 'value of forage' rather than the 'cost-of-administration' basis used since the inception of the Taylor Grazing Act. We authorize the officers of the NWGA at their discretion to intervene in the case of the Nevada stockmen now before the courts."

Discussion preceding the adoption of this resolution stressed the fact that the great threat under the new fee formula prescribed by the Bureau of Land Management for the grazing use of the Taylor district lands lay in the future; for if the BLM succeeds in shifting the fee basis away from the cost-of-administration intent of the law, no one can tell how far they might go in assessing future fees. Hence the Executive Committee voted to give moral support to the Nevada stockmen in their case to test the legality of the new BLM fee formula.

In the opinion of the NWGA legislative representatives, as expressed in the Yakima meeting, there is little chance of getting favorable forest grazing legislation through this session of Congress.

Concern was expressed over legislative

proposals on the disposal of the so-called LU lands covered by Title III of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act. H.R. 6815 recently introduced would repeal the present authority to issue grazing permits to private individuals to use these lands and would make it impossible to give any preference at the time of sale to the present users of the land. USDA has introduced H.R. 5088, which is considered preferable to H.R. 6815. Executive Committee action calls upon the NWGA Public Lands Committee to follow this legislation closely and take proper action to make sure that nothing will be done detrimental to the priority interest of present individual users.

Some apparent misuse of legislation enacted last year to cover the establishment of watershed areas was called to the Committee's attention. State association officials were cautioned by President Breckenridge to be on the alert for unnecessary use of the provisions of the law.

Miscellaneous Action

Approval was given by the Executive Committee to the NWGA's giving moral support to the Morganton Glassware Guild, Inc., in its case to test the constitutionality of granting tariff concessions under Gatt.

Secretary Ernest Williams of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association presented two special resolutions for Executive Committee consideration. One of them calls for and lists specific action to assure continued ownership and operation of family enterprises wherever there is a reasonable expectation that borrowers under drought and disaster conditions can work out of their present difficulties. The other request was that the Federal Departments handling the

Mexican National Labor program give consideration to the special needs of the livestock industry, facilitating the processing of ranch hands in a simple and effective manner. These two resolutions were approved by the Committee.

Organization Matters

Recommendations of the Constitution Committee (Past Presidents W. H. Steiwer, chairman; R. C. Rich, G. N. Winder, Sylvan J. Pauly, and Ray W. Willoughby) were presented to the Executive Committee. They will be published in the November issue of the NATIONAL WOOL GROWER as approved and recommended by the Executive group to give the membership full opportunity to consider them before taking final action at the annual Association meeting in Ft. Worth next January.

The group decided to postpone the filling of the vacancy among the vice presidents occasioned by the elevation of J. H. Breckenridge to the presidency upon the death of Wallace Ulmer.

The invitation to hold the 92nd convention in Las Vegas, Nevada, was accepted by the Committee. Dates are to be determined and announced later. The 1956 summer meeting of the Executive Committee will be held in Helena, Montana, sometime in July.

Cy Cress, director of the NWGA special lamb promotion and research work, gave a brief but interesting report on promotion activities in California and Texas the past spring. His work was commended by President Avilla of the California Association and Jack Canning, Texas member of the Association's Lamb Committee.

Assistant Secretary E. E. Marsh told the executive group about requests to have the Vibriosis Committee of the

National Association enlarged to include all sheep diseases. After due consideration, the Executive Committee decided it would be best to continue the Vibriosis Committee and its work as in the past.

The Ulmer and Church Tributes

There was a sorrowful undertone to the gathering due to the passing of President Wallace Ulmer and Nevada's Executive Committeeman, Chandler Church, since the December meeting in Salt Lake City. Memorial resolutions were framed and adopted as follows:

"We, the members of the Executive Committee of the National Wool Growers Association, in session at Yakima, Washington, June 27, 1955, pause in reverence and respect to the memory of our departed President, Wallace Ulmer. For a number of years Wallace took a deep interest in Association affairs and was faithful in attending Executive Committee meetings and lending his counsel in helping to guide Association policy. His loss will be deeply felt, and we extend our sincere sympathy to his family."

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"We extend our deep sympathy to the family of Chandler Church who so ably represented Nevada on our Executive Committee. His passing is a distinct loss to the National Wool Growers Association."

American Wool Council, Inc.

THE Council of Directors of the American Wool Council, Inc., was called to order by President W. H. Steiwer at 8:45 a.m. Tuesday, June 28 at Yakima. This early hour was necessary in order to allow the NWGA Executive Committee sufficient time later in the day to finish their agenda.

As has unfortunately become necessary in recent Council sessions, a large part of the deliberations was focused on financial affairs. Due to difficulties in the manufacturing end of the business and resultant mergers, support from that branch of the industry has fallen off considerably. This has increased the financial responsibility of the producers. The packers continue their support, but their contributions are at a fixed rate. To get full producer support, greater cooperation is necessary, it was pointed out in the meeting, from all the wool dealers and topmakers purchasing wool in the West in making the collections. Efforts, it was agreed, would be renewed from every angle to secure a 100 percent collection by dealers and topmakers. When these collections are not made, wool growers, themselves are being urged to send in the wool promotion assessment and their dues to their State associations.

President Steiwer introduced Mrs. Earl Wright, president of the National



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Women's Auxiliary. She expressed the deep appreciation of the women for the support given by the men's organization, particularly in the "Make It Yourself With Wool" contest. Interesting, too, was Mrs. Wright's report of a visit to Missouri where the contest has been conducted for three years and where now the women's group wants to become a part of the National Auxiliary.

Sale of the stickers—"Eat lamb and wear wool for health beauty and goodness sake"—as a means of financing the auxiliary organizations was also mentioned by President Wright. This project, started seven years ago, has been a valuable source of funds. However, the



Mrs. Ross Crafton, Goldendale, Washington, (right) pours for Mrs. Earl Wright (center) National president of the Women's Auxiliary and Mrs. J. W. Hans of Sunnyside, Washington, State Auxiliary president at a tea given in Mrs. Wright's honor at Yakima during Executive Committee meetings.

Auxiliary needs help in building up new contacts. Mrs. Wright asked that the State secretaries send a list of their members to Mrs. Rudie Mick of St. Onge, South Dakota.

President Steiwer then briefly reviewed the activities of Council officials since the last meeting. Mr. S. L. Stumberg and he had attended the March meeting of the Executive Committee of The Wool Bureau and also that of Wool, Inc., on direct consumer advertising. In addition, Mr. Steiwer said there had been a meeting in June of the entire board of The Wool Bureau at which time directors were selected. The new National Association president, J. H. Breckenridge had been elected to the Board, he said. Also at that time, the American Wool Council had been made happy by the selection of Mr. Stumberg as chairman of the Board of Directors. The Board, he said, had been enlarged by two members who were selected from the overseas representatives. However, the Executive Committee was left the same, with two members from the American Wool Council (Messrs. Stumberg

and Steiwer) and two members from The Wool Bureau (L. F. Hartley of South Africa as chairman and Reginald Lund of New Zealand).

Mr. Stumberg, at the request of President Steiwer, told of the work of The Wool Bureau. That agency is spending \$1,300,000 a year in this country. About a million of the total goes to wool promotion largely carried on from the New York office. It includes the home sewing contest, research work, educational work, publicity for men's and women's wear, television and radio releases and a large amount of printed matter. Around \$75,000, Mr. Stumberg stated, is spent in the Los Angeles branch of The Wool Bureau which is being expanded.

Mr. Max Schmitt, president of The Wool Bureau, was introduced by Mr. Stumberg. Mr. Schmitt said promotion and advertising efforts designed to build broader markets for wool will be given new impact during the coming months. "Increasing cooperation among wool growing, textile, manufacturing and marketing interests is making possible a more vigorous and concentrated program in behalf of wool," Mr. Schmitt said. "Consumer advertising for wool, launched last year is being extended into magazines having a large circulation among the mass of the people.

A panoramic view of advertising done by The Wool Bureau greatly impressed the Council directors.

This advertising campaign which stresses wool's superior performance qualities, its versatility, its fashion importance, Mr. Schmitt pointed out, is supported with intensive sales promotion plans designed to spotlight wool in the retail store. These efforts, backed by major mills and manufacturers, are implemented through close-working contact with many department stores and specialty shops, he said.

Among Wool Bureau projects scheduled for the fall are nation-wide promotion for wool jersey, men's and women's wool sportswear and wool fabrics for the home sewing enthusiasts.

There are clear indications, according to Mr. Schmitt, that wool's competitive position is improving and that the long-range outlook for the fabric is brightening. Mill consumption of wool has increased markedly during the early months of 1955, and new orders for wool fabrics are sharply above the 1954 level.

To illustrate the news and information services distributed by The Wool Bureau as part of its over-all program to build consumer interest in wool, Mr. Schmitt showed two current films following a luncheon meeting of the NWGA and AWC executive groups on the 27th. The films, to be used in nationwide television showings, presented lightweight spring and summer fashions in wool for men

and women. They were exceptionally well done.

Following Mr. Schmitt's talk, Dr. Gerald Laxer, technical director for the Bureau, outlined the objectives of wool fabric studies now in progress at the Textile Research Institute in Princeton, New Jersey, under the sponsorship of The Wool Bureau and the U. S. Department of Agriculture. This study, tracing the behavior of fibers during processing will aid the grower, Dr. Laxer asserted, by enabling him to breed desirable characteristics into the fiber.

Much of the work done at the Textile Research Institute, he said, concerns the effects of the wool fiber's natural crimp upon its performance in fabrics. This program, Dr. Laxer said, is just one of many in progress at wool research centers throughout the world. All of this experimentation and study, he said, is evidence of the wool growing industry's determination to keep the modern wool fiber abreast of the requirements of today's living and to produce constantly improving wool profits. He specifically mentioned experiments to reduce the shrinkage in wool and to improve its water repellency.

Research leaders from all parts of the world, Dr. Laxer announced, are to meet in Australia during August and September. Purpose of the conference is to relate advances in wool processing techniques to sheep breeding and wool growing.

Appreciation of the Bureau's program in behalf of wool was voiced by many of the Council directors. There was also informal discussion of orlon blankets. Highly napped, they are reportedly very flammable, and the desirability of hav-

ing them covered in the Flammable Fabrics Act was an unanimous agreement of Council members.

Fun Times at Yakima

WHILE the executive groups of the National Wool Growers Association and the American Wool Council, Inc. have earned the distinction of being a very hard working crowd, the local organizations of both the wool growers and women's auxiliaries always see to it that as much fun as possible is inter-

laced with the serious discussions and decisions.

This was especially true at the Yakima meetings. It all began Sunday afternoon (26th) when the committeemen, accompanied in many instances by their wives and families, commenced to arrive from plane, train and automobile at the Chinook Hotel in Yakima. A feeling of warm welcome pervaded this new, very modern yet comfortable hotel. This feeling was accentuated in a fashion typical of dwellers in the "Fruit Bowl" of the Nation by the distribution of dishes of delicious cherries. They came to every guest

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VOTING COMMUNITY PROPERTY IN WOOL REFERENDUM

An amendment to the regulations governing the referendum vote on the activation of Section 708 of the National Wool Act of 1954 was published in the Federal register of July 12, 1955. It relates to voting in community property States and reads as follows:

"In States having community property laws, husband and wife owning sheep as community property may vote their respective interests in the sheep. If the wife does not vote her interest, the husband may vote as if he had the entire ownership in all the sheep."

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with greetings from the Washington Wool Growers Association and the Women's Auxiliary.

President Corwin H. King, Vice President George K. Hislop, Secretary Phil Kern, Russell Brown and others also welcomed the NWGA and AWC guests personally. Representing the Auxiliary, there were Mrs. Harlan H. Hill, founder and former president of the National Auxiliary, Mrs. Retta Roberts, a former National Auxiliary president and Mrs. J. W. Hans, current leader of the Washington Auxiliary. We know that all these individuals had the backing, particularly of the local members, in their entertainment and hospitality.

They had planned and carried out a very delightful program of entertainment, and they didn't miss anyone. There was a tea at the YWCA on the afternoon of June 27 for the women, with National Auxiliary President Mrs. Earl Wright of Boise, Idaho, the guest of honor. A swimming party held the interest of the youngsters during tea time. Then at 6:30 everybody went out to Sportsmen's Park for a lamb barbecue—and such a barbecue!

The Jaycees of Yakima put it on and certainly did an exceptional job. The Auxiliary women did their share, too, in the affair. We know they were responsible for the most delicious apple pie served ala mode, with "seconds" if de-

sired. The very colorful table decorations in all probability were theirs too. And the setting could not have been more beautiful than that provided in the quiet, peaceful, tree-lined park. A few rain drops fell, but not enough to mar the occasion.

A Mt. Rainier tour gave the women and children a delightful day on Tuesday the 28th. Although Rainier was in one of her cloudy moods and failed to show her magnificent head, driving along clear mountain rivers flanked on either side by vivid green trees and up into the snow-banked areas of the summit, made a delightful outing.

Many of the family parties traveled on from Yakima to Seattle and Victoria and down the California coastline or on back through the intermountain country again to complete a most enjoyable trip.

Yakima residents can justly be proud of their beautiful city in the heart of the most famous fruit country in the U. S. A., the nearby spectacular mountain scenery, their modern well-managed hotel and above all the quality of their hospitality. Everyone fortunate enough to attend the committee meetings in the summer of 1955 will long remember them and be grateful to the Washington Wool Growers Association and its Women's Auxiliary for the very good time they had.

Yakima Attendance List

THE holding of summer meetings by the Executive Committee in different sections of the sheep country each year permits attendance of Association members in those areas, as the meetings are conducted in an open and democratic fashion. The Yakima sessions were attended during all or part of the time by the following Washington Association members: Phil Bloom, former Washington secretary, A. R. Bohoskey, a former vice president of the National Association; Russell Brown, also a former National Association vice president; C. S. Crest, H. S. Coffin, Cecil Fairchild, Charles C. Flower, C. F. Flower, Jack Henderson, William McGregor, Simon J. Martinez, V. O. McWhorter, Claude O. Miller, Archie Prior, Donald Prior, Ludwig Rule, Bill Wyatt, and Charles Munslor, Kelowna, B. C., Canada.

Officers Present:

President J. H. Breckenridge, Past Presidents R. C. Rich, G. N. Winder, Sylvan J. Pauly and W. H. Steiwer, now president of the American Wool Council; Vice Presidents Don Clyde of Utah, Angus McIntosh of Colorado and Harold Josendal, Wyoming; S. L. Stumberg,

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chairman of the Board of Directors of the Wool Bureau; Kenneth Sexton, vice president of the American Wool Council; Executive Secretary J. M. Jones, Assistant Secretary, E. E. Marsh, and Cy Cress, Lamb Promotion and Research Director.

Distinguished Guests and Council of Directors Members from Allied Groups:

Max F. Schmitt, president of The Wool Bureau; Gerald Laxer, technical director of the Wool Bureau; Miss Mary North, Wool Bureau Consultant for the "Make-It-Yourself-With Wool" Contests; Mrs. Earl S. Wright, president of the National Women's Auxiliary; C. M. Bishop, president of the Pendleton Woolen Mills, M. D. Fell, also of the Pendleton Woolen Mills; J. J. Heckman, Jr. of Armour and Company; Paul Etchepare, secretary of the National Lamb Feeders Association; R. A. Ward, general mana-

ger, Pacific Wool Growers and Jack L. Reeves of the Union Pacific Railroad Company.

State Association Representatives (the first person named in each State is the executive committeeman):

California: Lloyd Avilla, Ray Anchoroguy, S. P. Arbios
Colorado: Frank Meaker, Brett Gray
Idaho: John Noh, Andrew D. Little
Montana: A. C. Grande, Everett Shuey, Gerald Hughes
Nevada: B. H. Robison
Oregon: John V. Withers, J. P. Steiwer, Harold Cohn, Dick Reckman
South Dakota: H. J. Devereaux (alternate)
Texas: R. W. Hodge, C. T. Holekamp, Ernest L. Williams, Jack Canning.
Utah: M. V. Hatch
Washington: George K. Hislop, Corwin King, Phil Kern
Wyoming: Leonard Hay, J. B. Wilson
(Note: We hope we haven't missed anyone.)

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY NEWS

Missouri Organizes

MRS. Earl S. Wright, president of the National Wool Growers Auxiliary, met recently with a group of wool growers' wives at the Bothwell Hotel in Sedalia, Missouri, for the purpose of organizing an auxiliary to the Missouri Sheep Growers Association.

Mrs. V. B. Vandiver of Leonard, was elected president; Mrs. Earl Jackson of Vida, first vice president; Mrs. Glen Arinentrout, Norborne, second vice president; Mrs. A. J. Dinsdale, Maryville, secretary-treasurer.

The meeting was held in connection with the annual Missouri Ram Sale and the "Make It Yourself With Wool" State Contest. The winners of the sewing contest were, Miss Elinor Van Dyke, Route 1, Smithton, in the Senior Division, and Miss Pat Johnston, Route 1, Jasper, in the Junior Division. These two girls will represent Missouri in the National "Make It Yourself With Wool" Contest at Fort Worth, Texas.

Missouri marks the eastern boundary of the fifteen States in which the "Make It Yourself With Wool" contests are conducted. We wish them every success.

Colorado's Contest

MRS. Nick Theos of Meeker, Colorado, State publicity chairman for the Women's Auxiliary to the Colorado Wool Growers Association, is giving wide publicity to the 9th Annual "Make-It-Yourself-With-Wool" contest in Colorado. It is being done with the hope of interesting many girls between the ages of 14

to 22 in taking part in this event.

Date of the elimination contest in each district is set by the district chairman. The State final contest will be held in Grand Junction in January, 1956. For contest details, Mrs. Theos suggests that interested girls contact the district chairman in their district and county.

"The Make-It-Yourself-With-Wool" contest, Mrs. Theos states in a recent publicity piece, "offers an opportunity to all young women living in the wool growing empire of the United States to express their home sewing and fashion creative ability with virgin wool fabrics in competition for valuable awards. A total of \$35,000 is awarded in prizes, including all-expense-paid trips to the fashion capitals of the world—Rome, New York and Paris—to be awarded to the grand prize winners of the senior and junior divisions of the National "Make-It-Yourself-With-Wool" contest.

The sewing contest in District 6 of Colorado is being sponsored by the Le-Ota Club of Englewood. This district includes eight counties—Denver, Adams, Arapahoe, Jefferson, Douglas, Clear Creek, Gilpin and Boulder. Any girl between 14 and 22 living in these counties can obtain all necessary information about the contest by contacting District Chairman Mrs. Dorothy Russ, 3029 South Grant Street, Englewood. The elimination contest in District 6 commences December 6th at the Colorado Woman's College. A luncheon will honor the contestants. They will participate in a fashion show and receive modeling instructions and a gift from the Colorado Auxiliary.

Textile, Clothing Industries May Share in Nation's Production Boom

THE textile and clothing trades are now sharing in the Nation's surge toward new production and consumer spending peaks.

While retail sales of women's and children's clothing during the first five months of 1955 were three percent ahead of the same period in 1954, and sales of men's and boys' clothing rose two percent, the real momentum of the rise in consumer spending for textiles and apparel will probably not be reached until the fall.

Inter-fiber competition continues to be the most spectacular feature of the U. S. textile situation, and the recent recovery is reflected in varying degrees in all fibers. Wool has made important gains; due in no small measure to the relative stability of raw wool prices and of retail prices of wool textiles and apparel.

The most dramatic improvement in wool's competitive position has occurred in the men's wear market. The production of regular-weight suits (which are mostly 100 percent wool) during the first five months of 1955 was

nine percent ahead of the corresponding period in 1954. Summer suits containing 50 percent or more wool represented 38 percent of this year's production. This represents a slight increase over the 1954 percentage and a significant rise over the low-point of 28 percent reached in 1952.

Improving Outlook Seen in Women's Wear

An improving outlook for wool is also seen in women's wear, where a 16 percent rise in suit production was recorded during the first five months of the year. In the absence of detailed fiber breakdowns, it can only be inferred that the decline in rayon's share of the suit market from 65 percent in 1954 to 49 percent in 1955 means an off-setting rise in the use of wool and wool blends. Likewise, the decline in rayon's share of the skirt market during the first five months of the year from 40 percent to 30 percent suggests a strong improvement in wool's position.

Mill consumption of apparel wool

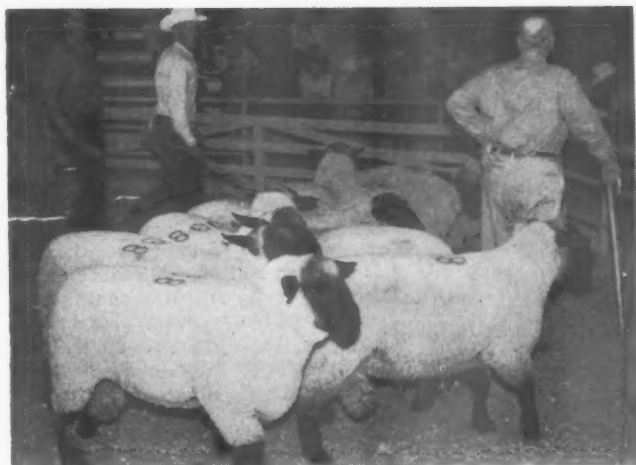
has shown consistent monthly gains between 1954 and 1955. For the first five months of 1955, total consumption was nine percent above the corresponding 1954 period.

The production of woven wool fabrics, which represent the major outlets for raw apparel wool, rose 17 percent over a year ago during the first five months of 1955. This total includes a 35 percent increase in the production of men's wear fabrics, a 15 percent rise in the output of women's wear fabrics, and a 15 percent increase in the output of wool fabrics produced on Government orders.

At the end of May, stock-sales ratios in all outerwear lines were in good open-to-buy positions—and, in fact, somewhat low in men's and boys' wear lines—thus explaining the sharp rise in new orders placed by cutters with wool textile mills. Since new orders are the signal for increased production, it is encouraging for the wool outlook that the rate in men's wear fabrics during the January-April period was 25 percent ahead of the same 1954 period, and that the rate in women's wear fabrics was 28 percent higher. Attesting to the outlook for continuing retail demand, are trade reports of early inquiries for new wool fabrics lines planned for spring, 1956.

—The Wool Bureau, Inc.

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ANTIBIOTICS

(Continued from page 9.)



A trial lamb is examined by (l. to r.) Dr. McGowan, Phil Larner, and Dr. Cameron.

pounds per head, were sold through an auction yard at an average price of \$7.72 net per hundredweight, or \$6.48 average per head.

Phil Larner admits forthrightly that in his use of Aureomycin in ruminant feeding he has "torn a leaf from the book of the poultry industry." Prior to its use in ruminants, the antibiotic had been demonstrated to be spectacularly successful in many scientific advances in poultry feeding and disease control, factors which had been largely responsible for a phenomenal increase in poultry consumption since the end of World War II.

Among the authorities with whom the Sutter Basin Corporation executive consulted were Drs. H. S. Cameron and Blaine McGowan, Jr., of the University of California School of Veterinary Medicine. A report by Cameron and McGowan on a further trial on the use of antibiotics in the feeding of cull lambs also has received widespread attention.

In this controlled test, as in the earlier one, the feed used was the Sutter Basin Corporation's product, Subaco Mix 57-A, with Aurofac containing 1.8 grams of Aureomycin per pound. At this level, each lamb received 20 milligrams of Aureomycin daily in the ration.

Wet conditions in the fall and winter of 1954 made it inadvisable to conduct the controlled trials on the feed lots. Facilities were made available in the feeding sheds of the Union Sheep Company in San Francisco. There, on September 25, an extremely poor group of 312 cull lambs that had failed to gain were placed on feed. Many were scouring and coughing. All were dull and unthrifty.

The animals were divided at random into groups. One group of 160 lambs, averaging 73 pounds, was placed on full feed at once, receiving the pelleted feed

containing Aureomycin. Pellets and roughage were made available at all times in unlimited amounts. Cameron and McGowan note that one of the remarkable features observed in this group, in which no culling was practiced, was the total absence of ill effects from the sudden change from pasture to full feed of a ration containing 35 percent barley.

The second group of scrubs consisted of 152 lambs also averaging 73 pounds. These were gradually accustomed to the regular ration used routinely in the feeding operations: one pound of whole barley and one pound of dried beet pulp per head per day; and alfalfa meal containing 8 to 10 percent molasses. Within 20 days they were in full feed. In this group, culling of expected non-profitable lambs was practiced.

The results, as quoted directly from the Cameron and McGowan report:

"Both groups were on feed for 66 days before slaughter. In the pelleted feed group (Group 1) the death loss was 5.62 percent; in the other group (Group 2) 10.52 percent, including culls. In Group 1, 151 lambs out of an original 160 were slaughtered; in Group 2, 136 out of 152. The net yield was 50.2 and 50.5 pounds respectively. The yield under these conditions appeared identical in both groups, but had culling also been practiced in Group 1, a significant difference would undoubtedly have been apparent."

With characteristic scientific caution, Cameron and McGowan note that no definite conclusions can be drawn from this trial. They report, however, that pelleted feed such as that made available to Group 1 "can be safely used in self-feeders to lambs and also that unthrifty cull lambs can be profitably fattened."

In the tests now in progress on the Sutter Basin Corporation feed lots, each trial involves between 1,500 and 1,750 lambs, consisting as much as possible of lambs of common origin. Upon arrival at the corrals, they are started on full feed, sheared, divided at random into five groups of equal numbers, and branded as to group number. They are then weighed by lots of 30 sheep.

In these trials, each of the five groups are fed continuously on roughage and a basal ration which consists of pellets composed of barley, 35 percent, molasses, 8 percent; and alfalfa, 57 percent, of which 50 percent is fresh dehydrated and 50 percent ensilage.

One group is fed the roughage and basal ration plus 20 grams of Aureomycin per ton daily for 30 days. Another group is maintained on the 20 gram level of Aureomycin continuously throughout the trial.

Two groups are fed the roughage and basal ration plus 50 grams of Aureomycin per ton for 30 days. Supplementation with Aureomycin is discontinued in one group after 30 days and the level of Aureomycin in the other group is lowered to 20 grams of Aureomycin per ton for the balance of the trial.

The fifth group, the control group, is fed roughage plus basal ration with no antibiotic supplementation throughout the trial.

Since cause of death is important to the trials, post-mortem examinations are to be performed at the University of California School of Veterinary Medicine on all lambs dying between the time they board Sutter Basin Corporation trucks and completion of the feeding tests.

As lambs of the various groups reach market weight and finish, they are to be topped out and sold in line with the corporation's commercial practices. Data on carcass grades and yield are to be collected by trial groupings from the slaughter house.

The detailed records by trial groups will include: mortality and morbidity, weights, feed consumption, feed conversion, carcass grade, and carcass yield.

Assays are to be made on all trial rations and on the basal rations prior to the start of trial, 15 days after start of trial, 30 days after start of trial, and at other periodic intervals.

Such are the tests—conducted on a university research level—which make the Sutter Basin area of the Sacramento Valley the current capital of the lamb feeding industry. They may help bring on a new demand for lamb as a major consumer food item which will mean significant increases in profits to all lamb feeders.

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ROBERT LOCKETT

Holds the trophy presented to him by Swift and Company. He was reelected Arizona president.

Arizona Group Holds 69th Annual Meeting

ROBERT W. Lockett, President, Arizona Wool Growers Association, was the surprised recipient of the G. F. Swift Centennial Founders Award at Arizona's 69th annual meeting in Flagstaff, July 12. Award presentation was made by P. F. Donnelly, Swift & Company, Phoenix. Donnelly said Lockett has carried on "the highest type of public relations in promoting harmony and good will for the sheep and wool industry on a State and national level."

The 44-year old sheepman was further honored at the close of the meeting when he was chosen to serve again as president of the Arizona Association. Others elected at the meeting were: first vice president, M. P. Espil; second vice president, Louie Espil; and third vice president, Fermin Cheverria. Directors elected were J. A. Manterola, H. C. Dobson, O. T. Brown and Phillip Echevarria.

Arizona's Governor Ernest W. McFarland spoke before the afternoon session of the group. Among others who addressed the meeting were: Steve Bixby, President, Arizona Cattle Growers Association; Otto Lindh, regional forester; Mary North, Wool Bureau, New York City; Roger Ernst, State Land Commissioner; E. E. Marsh, assistant secretary, National Wool Growers Association; E. D. Stanley, University of Arizona; and Sherman Hazeltine, President, Bank of America, Prescott; and Harry Embach, Phoenix, veteran secretary of the association.

The annual sheepman's barbecue, a bountiful affair of delicious food for

which practically the whole town of Flagstaff turns out, was held in the pines of Ft. Tuthill a few miles from Flagstaff.

Arizona wool growers in formal action:

Reaffirmed their strong support of Section 708 of the National Wool Act of 1954 which would provide "for the first time funds adequate to properly promote the consumption of lamb and wool on a national basis," and urged wool growers to vote for the activation of Section 708 in the referendum which ends August 19.

Reaffirmed position with regard to the necessity for an adequate protective tariff, not only on raw wool but on manufactures of wool and its products; asked domestic wool manufacturers to cooperate in maintaining an adequate protective tariff.

Urged immediate repeal of the excise transportation tax of 3 percent on freight traffic and 10 percent on passenger traffic.

Protested the proposed extension of the last increase of 15 percent in freight rates beyond the expiration date now set.

Vigorously protested the classifying and allotting of small tracts in stock driveways, particularly in the vicinity of Apache Junction, Arizona, which is destroying the intended function of the driveways and requested the Department of Interior and the Arizona Congressional delegation to prepare proposed legislation to correct the matter and to consider the issuance of an order by the Secretary of the Interior which may hold in abeyance the classification, or the initiation of any other action which may lead to conveyance of small tracks by the BLM within the limits of the established stock driveways.

Commended Secretary Benson for his work in behalf of the sheep industry and for his fearless stand on the solution of agricultural problems.

Commended the National Wool Growers Association and its officers for activities and work in protecting and promoting the sheep industry.

Commended The Wool Bureau for sponsoring the "Make-It-Yourself-With-Wool" contests.

Commended Charles E. Blaine and Son for outstanding service in connection with transportation matters.

Commended the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the Arizona Livestock Sanitary Board for accomplishments in predatory animal control.

Approved actions of officers and directors of the Arizona Association during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1955.

Set 1955-56 membership dues at five cents per head as in the past.

Paid tribute to Fred C. Purcell, Jack Richardson and Wallace Ulmer, who had passed away during the year, for their contributions to the welfare of the industry.



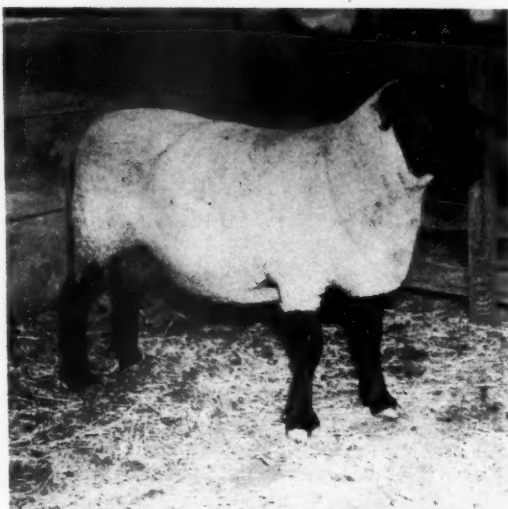
Arizona's Governor, Ernest McFarland (right) addresses the convention. Others (left to right) are M. P. Espil, first vice president, Harry Embach, secretary, and Robert Lockett, president.



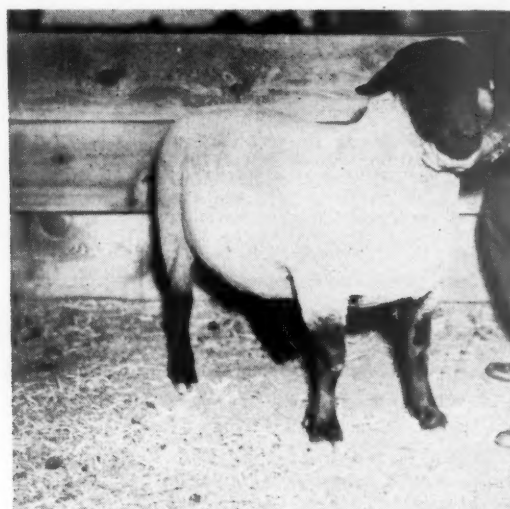
A small part of the barbecue crowd lining up for chow in the pines of Ft. Tuthill.



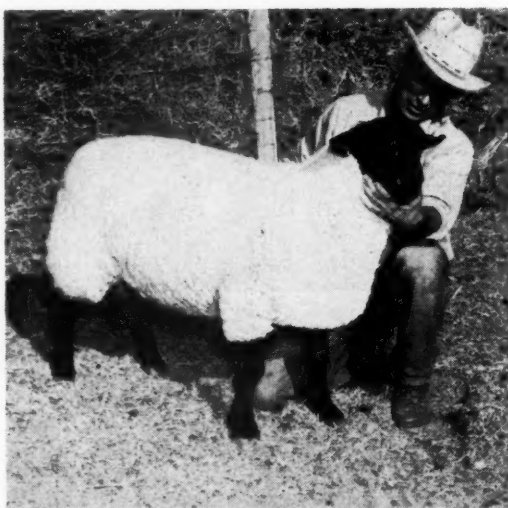
Discussing some of the problems at the Arizona Convention are from left to right, Messrs. Echenique, Erramuzpe, Pouquette, Erramuzpe, Echeverria and Pouquette.



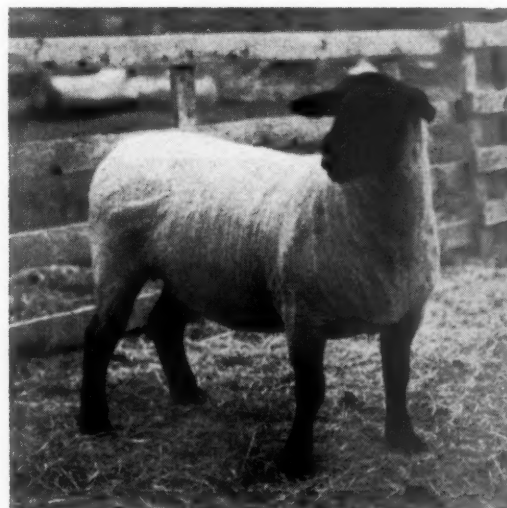
Last year's top ram at the National Ram Sale. We also raised the sire of this ram. We were pleased to learn that this ram is doing well for his new owner, Mrs. Mabel Liskey Henzel of Klamath Falls, Oregon.



One of this year's entries, born April, 1954 and sired by last year's top ram. This stud is an example of the ability of our rams to reproduce their kind.



One of our ram lambs, an example of the rapid growth for which Suffolks have been selected for many generations.



One of our yearling ewes — the first place yearling ewe lamb at the Chicago International.



We will also have one stud entry sired by Grange John Harry.

M. W. BECKER

RUPERT, IDAHO



Report: JULY LAMB MARKET

Weather, Receipts Get Blame for Price Drop

JULY price trends were sharply lower on slaughter lambs at all markets, and toward the end of the month, many sales on spring lambs were the lowest since last fall.

Hot weather, along with an extremely uneven wholesale lamb trade and increasing receipts were cited as the main bearish factors. Spring lambs comprised the bulk of sales at most markets.

Choice and prime slaughter lambs sold in a price range of from \$19.25 to \$24.50 during the month. The \$24.50 price was paid at Chicago on July 11 and the \$19.25 price was paid at Omaha on the 21st. Most July sales for this class of slaughter lambs were made between \$21 and \$23.50.

Good and choice slaughter lambs sold in a price range of from \$17 to \$23. Bulk of sales were made between \$18 and \$22.

Shipments of western range lambs were still small during the month.

July carcass prices were very unsteady. Choice and prime New York dressed carcass prices ranged from \$44 to \$53, while good and choice carcasses sold from \$41 to \$52.

Both breeding ewe prices and slaughter ewe prices held firm during July.

Slaughter ewes—good and choice—sold in a price range of from \$3 to \$6. The low price was paid at Ogden and the high at Denver. Bulk of sales for these ewes were made at from \$4.50 to \$5.50.

Cull and utility slaughter ewes sold between \$2 and \$5, with both the high and the low prices being paid at Denver. Most of these slaughter ewes went at from \$2.50 to \$4.

Some good and choice yearling breeding ewes cashed from \$18 to \$19, and two-and three-year-olds sold from \$10 to \$14. Good and choice short-term to solid-mouth breeding ewes cleared at \$7 to \$9.50.

Demand for feeder lambs was fairly good at the beginning of the month, but subsided as the month progressed. Good and choice feeder lambs sold from \$13 to \$18.50. The low price was paid at Fort Worth and the high was reached at Denver.

Several loads of good and choice 55- to 77-pound western feeder lambs sold at \$18.50 to \$19, with one double of 87-pound Idaho feeders at \$16.75.

Medium to choice native feeders brought \$15 to \$17.50 and at Fort Worth, medium and good spring feeder lambs sold at \$12 to \$15.

COUNTRY SALES AND CONTRACTING

COLORADO

Trading in country lamb transactions was very slow in Colorado during the first half of July. Early in the month a few decks of choice and prime spring slaughter lambs brought \$22, delivered to Denver from northern Colorado.

WYOMING

A few bands of feeder lambs were reported contracted in south central Wyoming at \$16, fall delivery, with one band in northeastern Wyoming at \$17, including the ewe lambs.

TEXAS

Around 1,000 crossbred blackface feeder lambs were contracted in the Rio Grande Plains area early in July at \$16 for August 1 to September delivery. Two loads of blackface feeder lambs in the same area sold for immediate delivery at \$15.75.

The second week whitefaced feeder lambs sold at \$15 to \$15.50, with some blackfaces to \$16. Later bids were reported below these quotations.

MONTANA

In the Belt area, 3,400 blackfaced

yearling ewes brought \$22 per head for August delivery, out of the wool. In the Cut Bank area some 1,000 whitefaced yearling ewes brought \$20 per head for fall delivery.

CALIFORNIA

Dwindling supplies of slaughter spring lambs in California found July's country trading very uneven.

Numerous loads of choice and prime shorn spring slaughter lambs with number one and two pelts sold from \$19.50 to \$20 during the month, with generally a four percent shrink. Late in the month, however, most bids were under the \$19.50 figure.

Feeding lamb contracts were of rather small volume, though a few bands of blackfaced feeders sold in the Inter-mountain area at \$17.25, straight across for fall delivery. Some whitefaced feeders sold at \$16.50.

WASHINGTON

Activity on Washington slaughter spring lambs tapered off considerably as the month progressed. Late-month bids and scattered sales were from \$1 to \$1.50 lower than the earlier market.

Midmonth immediate delivery sales of Washington spring lambs, many from clover pastures, were made at \$20.50 to \$21, those mostly overnight stand, delivered short haul to railhead. A few loads of choice and prime mountain lambs sold early at \$21.50, delivered to the West Coast and weighed off trucks.

A load of farm flock pool slaughter lambs brought \$18.35, f.o.b.

Six loads of dressed lambs moved from Spokane and south-central Washington to the East, some of those on \$47 delivered basis, and grading choice with some prime. Choice and prime 50- to 60-pound south-central Washington dressed lambs sold at \$40.50, f.o.b. to move west.

Prices and Slaughter This Year and Last

	1955	1954
Total U. S. Inspected		
Slaughter, First Six Months	209,808	213,516
Week Ended	July 9	July 10
Slaughter at Major Centers		
Chicago Average Lamb Prices (Spring):		
Choice and Prime	\$23.12	\$23.12
Good and Choice	21.62	21.62
New York Ave. Western Dressed Lamb Prices:		
Prime, 40-50 pounds	48.75	49.00
Choice, 40-50 pounds	48.75	47.50

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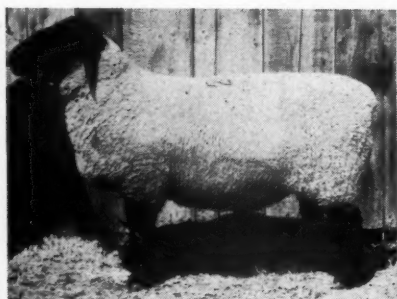
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LAMB DISH OF THE MONTH



FLAVORFUL FARE FOR AUGUST MEALS

Menu

Lamb en Brochette
French Fried Potatoes
Grilled Tomato Halves
Mixed Green Salad
French Bread
Butter or Margarine
Peach Sundae
Beverage

LAMB EN BROCHETTE

1½ pounds boneless lamb cut in 1½-
inch cubes
24 button mushrooms
2 tablespoons melted butter or mar-
garine
Salt and pepper

Alternate cubes of lamb and button
mushrooms on skewers. Brush with
melted butter or margarine. Set reg-
ulator to broil. Place lamb kabobs on
rack in broiler pan and insert so the
surface of the meat is 2 inches from
the heat. Broil slowly, turning occa-
sionally until all sides are browned.
Season with salt and pepper. 6 servings.
These may also be cooked over coals in

an outdoor grill and brushed with bar-
becue sauce during cooking.

(Department of Home Economics, National Live
Stock and Meat Board)

LAMB CONSUMPTION

New York and New England States
consume 71 percent of the lamb raised
in this country, the West Coast 13 per-
cent and all of the rest of the country
16 percent.

Consumers in Newark, New Jersey,
average \$32 a year for lamb out of a
total meat bill amounting to \$336. New
York consumers also spend \$32 for lamb,
but their meat bill averages just \$290
a year. In San Francisco, consumers
spend \$28.90 for lamb out of a total
meat bill of \$198. Many States in the
Middle West and South do not appar-
ently include any lamb in their meat
purchases.

MEAT GRADING FEES RISE

Effective July 15 the hourly rate for
Federal meat grading services is being
increased from \$3.60 to \$4.20. On a
weekly contract basis, such services are
being increased from \$122.40 to \$142.80.
The increases are being made, it is an-
nounced, to cover current costs of pro-
viding the service.

FOR LAMB PROMOTION

California Program Moves Many Feeder Lambs

SOUTHERN California's wonderful Imperial Valley with its warm arid climate is the winter feeding grounds for huge numbers of livestock. This past season there were more lambs on feed in Imperial Valley than ever before, and combined with those at Parker and Yuma, Arizona, totaled well over 325,000 head. These lambs are brought into the Valley in the late fall and put on the lush green alfalfa pastures to fatten for slaughter. This area is normally very warm and dry and after the lambs are shorn, which is shortly after arriving, their gain is very rapid.

During the early part of January this year, excessive rainfall in the Valley seriously interrupted normal feeding operations. The lambs had to be moved from the green pastures and put in pens where they were fed baled hay. This proved to be detrimental, in that the lambs did not make normal gains while off the pastures, and materially delayed their shipment.

Because of these two factors and other bearish conditions, the Imperial Valley Lamb Feeders Association decided to pool some funds and sponsor a promotional lamb campaign in Southern California's metropolitan areas. A total of \$32,000 was contributed on the basis of 25 cents per head to sponsor such a program, to start February 1 and run through March 31. This was to be centered in the Los Angeles area with contacts throughout all Southern California, comprising some five million people.

Because of the phenomenal success that had been achieved in the Salt Lake City lamb campaign the previous year, Gale D. Smith of Producers Livestock Marketing Association, who directed the promotion, was invited to meet with the lamb feeders to suggest methods and media for a campaign that would assist in marketing their lambs. Mr. Smith's services were obtained to direct the campaign, and his time and expense were donated by Producers Livestock Marketing Association of Salt Lake City, Utah.

Much of the material previously assembled for the Salt Lake program was utilized in the California campaign, but under the sponsorship of the Imperial Valley Lamb Feeders Association. The slogan, or theme name adopted for the campaign, which was very fitting, with good local appeal and salability, was

"California's Own Imperial Valley Lamb." This slogan, or term, was used throughout the promotion to identify the lambs as being from the lush green alfalfa pastures of California's own Imperial Valley. Many carcasses were stamped "I. V." All TV commercials, radio and press releases, and all advertising material were identified as being sponsored by the Imperial Valley Lamb Feeders Association.

Radio and television commercials were used extensively. Some 81 hard-hitting TV commercials of 20 seconds to one minute duration were telecast over four channels and some 750 radio announcements were broadcast during the two months of the campaign. They all concentrated on the many enticing values of lamb and featured the 4-D's, DELICIOUSNESS, DIGESTIBILITY, DYNAMIC-ENERGY, DIET-ABILITY. Numerous novel and varied menus for all cuts of lamb were presented in many ways. The less known cuts—the shoulder, neck, breast and shanks—were exemplified as being outstanding dishes. Many slides showing these cuts properly prepared were presented on TV. In addition to these costly commercials, many "plus" spots, or free time, were obtained on all TV channels in the Los Angeles area as well as numerous free radio plugs on all of the stations throughout Southern California.

Multicolored posters showing several very attractive lamb dishes were furnished the retailers for display in their markets. "WHAT ABOUT LAMB" streamers were distributed, as was gummed tape with the same slogan, and some 150,000 colorful booklets of varied lamb recipes were furnished retailers for distribution to their customers. These booklets were publicized extensively on radio and TV and were in great demand. In addition to these point-of-sale helps, the press, radio and TV, many other gimmicks were used to create consumer interest and desire.

A contest was held in which some 45 girls competed for the title of "Miss Bo-Peep." Charming 18-year-old Helen Ford, of Southgate, California, was selected as the winner, and her exemplification of Miss Bo-Peep greatly assisted in getting many phases of the campaign before the public. Her photograph appeared throughout the country and in all the local dailies and in many of the



Miss Bo-Peep

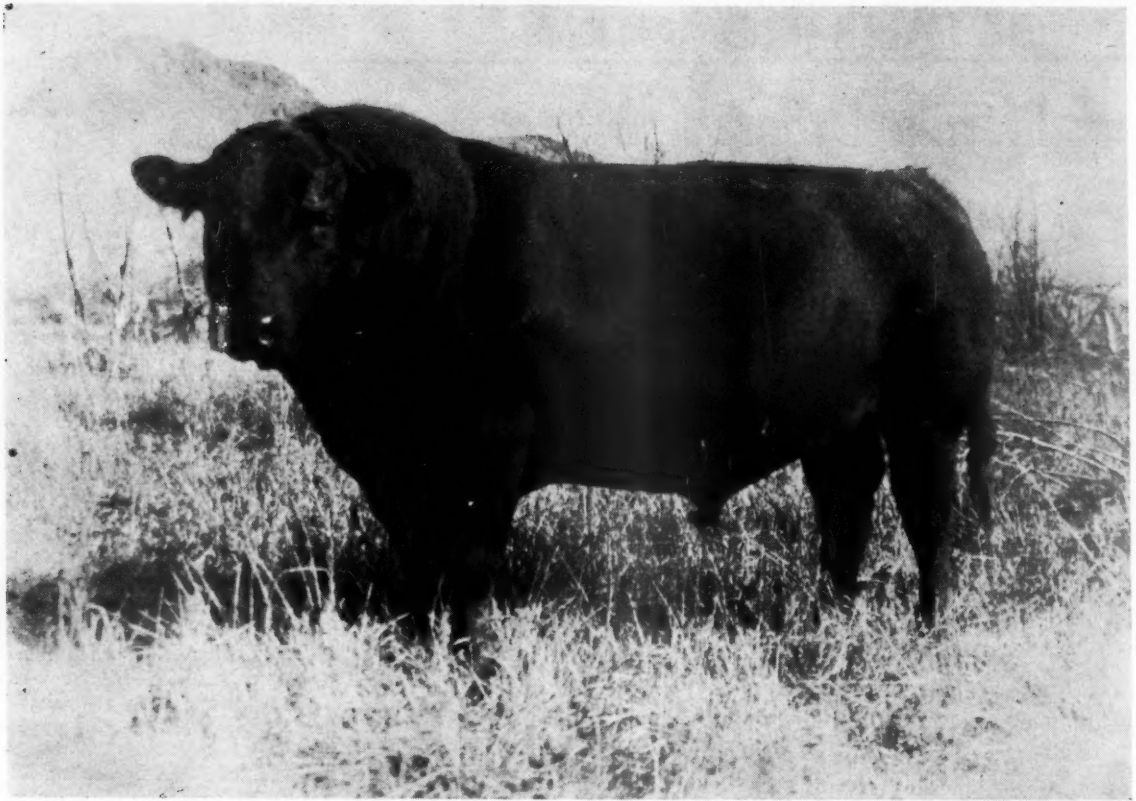
weeklies in the West Coast Southland, all of which identified her as the winner of the Miss Bo-Peeps who were promoting "California's Own Imperial Valley Lamb." She assisted at retail outlets in connection with the distribution of lamb recipe booklets, and appeared many times on television shows and radio broadcasts. She presented Mayor Norris Poulson of Los Angeles a beautiful Imperial Valley lamb carcass. Governor Goodwin J. Knight of California was also presented a carcass of some of this wonderful meat from Imperial Valley by one of the feeders.

A jingle contest was sponsored in which the grand prize was a round trip to Miami, Florida, by Trans-Continental Airlines. Other prizes included an "O'Keefe and Merritt" gas range; several portable "Big Boy" barbecues; carving trays; "Helbrose" wrist watches; "Mustang Kamp Kits"; and five "Imperial Valley" lamb carcasses, cut and wrapped for freezing. Over a quarter of a million of these contest blanks were distributed through retail outlets and 22,700 were returned. This all helped in developing consumer interest and desire for California lamb.

Chef "Milani" of KCOP and Chef "Mike Roy" of NBC both contributed much time and effort to the program and gave various special lamb recipes on their daily television and radio shows. In fact, Chef Milani used the slogan of our campaign as the by-word of a daily give-away contest on his TV show.

The six principal packers in Southern California killing lambs were very cooperative and favorable to the promotion. They were most helpful many ways, and also distributed the advertising and point-of-sale material furnished the retailers. The 16 major grocery chains in the greater Los Angeles and San Diego

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John, a well-known character on the Laidlaw Ranch

THIS IS NO BULL

This year we sheared 4,437 Panama mature ewes and 1,020 yearling Ewes. Fleeces averaged 13.764 pounds without tags. (Total—2,205 pounds tags sorted out.)

LAIDLAW PANAMA RAMS LAIDLAW SUFFOLK RAMS National Ram Sale

Fred M. Laidlaw, Inc.

Muldoon, Idaho

LAMB PROMOTION

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areas were also very much in accord with the campaign. Over 450 of the large super markets of these chains put on lamb sales during the program, which moved tremendous quantities of California lamb. During the two months of the campaign all of these larger chains had at least two huge lamb sales, and some had more. These sales by the super markets were a material factor in the success of the program.

In the early part of March a situation developed in the interpretations of lamb grades by the U. S. Grading Service which very adversely affected the lamb movement in the promotion area. Because of this terrific situation the various retail outlets were approached with a request to use ungraded lamb. Many of the large chains agreed and considerable lamb was sold to the public "Ungraded" and identified only as "California's Own Imperial Valley Lamb." This was in no way inferior to the graded meat which had been merchandised prior to this time, in the opinion of the packers, retailers or the individual feeders. This accomplishment in getting most of the retailers to merchandise ungraded lamb was a paramount factor in keeping prices stable and a supply of merchantable lambs available for consumption. Prior to the time of this change in grading, the processors could hardly meet the demand, and were slaughtering to their capacity.

During the latter part of March spring milk-fat lambs from the San Joaquin Valley were shipped into the Southern California markets in competition with the old-crop lambs from Imperial Valley. This reacted to the detriment of the balance of the lambs still in the Valley, due principally to their size and age; but prior to this time over 85 percent of the entire crop had moved into consumption at very satisfactory prices.

The Hunter-Willhite Company of Hollywood was employed as the advertising agency to handle this promotion in connection with the radio, TV and press connections. Mr. W. P. Wing, secretary of the California Wool Growers, was very helpful to the program, as well as supplying the recipe booklets. Mr. Cy Cress of the National Wool Growers Lamb Promotion Committee aided in obtaining space in the daily papers with timely and attractive lamb recipes.

The campaign was very much worth while in creating a lamb-conscious population in Southern California, and the cooperation of all segments of the industry, from the feeder through to the ultimate consumer, justifies the value of promotion. The fact that practically the entire crop of the largest number of lambs ever pastured in Imperial Valley

was marketed in a shorter than normal period of time in spite of three very unusual and adverse situations verifies the fact that promotion is without doubt the answer to lamb marketing.

The prices which the individual feeders obtained for their lambs far more than offset their individual contributions, and the Imperial Valley Lamb Feeders Association was very well satisfied with the efforts and results of its campaign.

This is the second lamb promotion campaign that has been presented wherein a sizable amount of money has been spent. In each case it has proved to be the answer in moving lambs into consumption, through creating consumer desire, furnishing point-of-sale helps to the merchandiser, and educating the housewife to use all cuts of lamb.

Every wool grower in the country should vote in favor of Section 708, or the "Self Help" provision of the Wool Act of 1954, which will produce sufficient funds to adequately sponsor a promotional program to provide extensive outlets for his own food and fiber products. This is the first real opportunity that the wool growing industry has ever had, wherein every raiser of a pound of wool could proportionately assist in sponsoring a program that could well be the answer for the recovery of a fast dwindling sheep industry. Get behind the cause and vote favorably on the question and urge all of your fellow sheepmen to do likewise. It is the "Golden Opportunity" for the sheep industry. Don't miss it.

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Entries Total 1,365

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 18

Columbias, Whiteface Crossbreds,
Targhees, Panamas, Rambouillets

194 COLUMBIAS

	Single Studs	Reg- istered	Range Rams
Barton & Sons, Alden K.—Manti, Utah.....	2	5	5
Bradford, Mark—Spanish Fork, Utah.....	2	5	20
Elkington Brothers—Idaho Falls, Idaho.....	1	5	5
Handley, E. J.—McMinnville, Oregon.....	—	—	5
Hansen, Wynn S.—Collinston, Utah.....	2	5	20
Hanson, Mark B.—Spanish Fork, Utah.....	1	5	15
Hartley Stock Farm—Page, North Dakota.....	—	—	5
Mansfield, Henry A.—Bluebell, Utah.....	—	5	5
Robinson, R. Bob—Logan, Utah.....	—	—	5
Shawn, R. J.—Monte Vista, Colorado.....	1	5	15
Thomas, Pete—Malad, Idaho.....	2	5	25
Utah State Agricultural College—Logan, Utah.....	2	5	—
Young, Cy—St. Anthony, Idaho.....	1	5	5
	14	50	130

30 RAMBOUILLET-LINCOLN CROSSBREDS

Covey-Bagley-Dayton—Cokeville, Wyoming.....	—	—	30
	—	—	30

10 RAMBOUILLET-COLUMBIA CROSSBREDS

Christensen & Sons, F. R.—Ephraim, Utah.....	—	—	10
	—	—	10

15 TARGHEES

Sieben Livestock Company—Helena, Montana.....	—	—	10
Young, Lowell—St. Anthony, Idaho.....	—	—	5
	—	—	15

67 PANAMAS

Horn, Joseph—Rupert, Idaho.....	1	—	10
Laidlaw, Fred M., Inc.—Muldoon, Idaho.....	—	5	25
Meuleman & Sons, Harry—Rupert, Idaho.....	1	—	10
Ricks Brothers—Idaho Falls, Idaho.....	—	5	5
University of Idaho—Moscow, Idaho.....	—	—	5
	2	10	55

317 RAMBOUILLETS

Bagley, Voyle—Aurora, Utah.....	1	5	15
Beal & Sons, George L.—Ephraim, Utah.....	3	5	25
Beal, John H.—Cedar City, Utah.....	2	5	30
Christensen & Son, E. N.—Levan, Utah.....	—	—	5
Christensen & Sons, F. R.—Ephraim, Utah.....	1	5	15
Christensen, Reuel E.—Ephraim, Utah.....	—	—	10
Christensen, S. E.—Ephraim, Utah.....	2	5	25
College of Southern Utah—Cedar City, Utah.....	2	5	—
Davis, Lloyd N.—Brigham City, Utah.....	—	—	10
Hansen, Wynn S.—Collinston, Utah.....	3	5	25
Jensen & Son, Harold—Ephraim, Utah.....	—	—	5
Madsen Rambouillet Farm, Inc., John K.— Mt. Pleasant, Utah.....	2	5	25
Nielson Sheep Company—Ephraim, Utah.....	3	5	30
Olsen, Clifford—Ephraim, Utah.....	3	5	20
Utah State Agricultural College—Logan, Utah.....	—	—	5
	22	50	245

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19

Hampshires, Suffolk-Hampshire
Crossbreds, Suffolks

105 HAMPSHIRE

Burton, T. B.—Cambridge, Idaho.....	—	—	5
College of Southern Utah—Cedar City, Utah.....	1	5	—
Donohoe, Mary—Fishtail, Montana.....	—	—	10
Elkington Brothers—Idaho Falls, Idaho.....	1	5	5
Larsen, Therald—Ephraim, Utah.....	1	—	15
Matthews Brothers—Ovid, Idaho.....	2	5	—
Olsen Brothers—Spanish Fork, Utah.....	—	—	5
Pooles' Magic Valley Hampshires—Jerome, Idaho.....	3	5	20
University of Idaho—Moscow, Idaho.....	—	5	—
Utah State Agricultural College—Logan, Utah.....	1	5	—
Winkle & Sons, L. A.—Filer, Idaho.....	1	—	5
	10	30	65

190 SUFFOLK-HAMPSHIRE CROSSBREDS

Beatty, R. B.—Twin Falls, Idaho.....	—	—	15
Belmar Ranch—Denver, Colorado.....	—	—	5
Burroughs, B. B.—Homedale, Idaho.....	—	—	10
Burton, T. B.—Cambridge, Idaho.....	—	—	40
Covey-Bagley-Dayton—Cokeville, Wyoming.....	—	—	40
Eastman, Jack—Provo, Utah.....	—	—	5
Elkington Brothers—Idaho Falls, Idaho.....	—	—	5
McCoy, W. E.—Buhl, Idaho.....	—	—	15
Olsen Brothers—Spanish Fork, Utah.....	—	—	30
Pooles' Magic Valley Hampshires—Jerome, Idaho.....	—	—	5
Sanderson & Sons, C. R.—Monte Vista, Colorado.....	—	—	10
Winkle & Sons, L. A.—Filer, Idaho.....	—	—	10
	—	—	190

437 SUFFOLKS

Armcast, Earl—Cambridge, Idaho.....	—	—	10
Becker, M. W.—Rupert, Idaho.....	3	5	—
Blakley, Roy C.—Cambridge, Idaho.....	—	—	10
Bumgarner, Carl—Cambridge, Idaho.....	—	—	5
Burger, C. F.—Weiser, Idaho.....	1	5	5
Burroughs, B. B.—Homedale, Idaho.....	—	—	25
Burton, T. B.—Cambridge, Idaho.....	2	5	40
Caras & Sons, Angel—Spanish Fork, Utah.....	—	5	5
Carlsen & Sons, C. N.—Ovid, Idaho.....	1	—	5
Cable, F. A. & Marian M.—Winters, California.....	2	5	—
Covey-Bagley-Dayton—Cokeville, Wyoming.....	—	5	5
Dickes, Fred—Huntertown, Indiana.....	—	—	5
Finch & Sons, H. L.—Soda Springs, Idaho.....	3	5	20
Fox, Floyd T.—Silverton, Oregon.....	—	5	20
Hall, George—Nephi, Utah.....	—	—	5
Hartley Stock Farm—Page, North Dakota.....	—	—	10
Howland & Son, Charles—Weiser, Idaho.....	2	5	15
Hubbard & Son, C. M.—Junction City, Oregon.....	2	5	—
Hubbard, Walter P.—Junction City, Oregon.....	2	5	5
Hymas & Sons, Reed S.—Ovid, Idaho.....	—	—	5
Jenkins, Allan—Newton, Utah.....	2	5	10
Laidlaw, Fred M., Inc.—Muldoon, Idaho.....	—	—	30
McCoy, W. E.—Buhl, Idaho.....	—	5	—
Moon, Myrthen N.—Springville, Utah.....	—	5	5
Nissen, Frank W.—Esparto, California.....	—	—	5
Olsen Brothers—Spanish Fork, Utah.....	—	—	15
Root, Earl—Cambridge, Idaho.....	—	—	10
Sanderson & Sons, C. R.—Monte Vista, Colorado.....	—	—	10
Sandquist, Harry—Ontario, Oregon.....	—	—	5
Turner, Willard—Nampa, Idaho.....	1	5	—
University of Idaho—Moscow, Idaho.....	—	5	—
University of Wyoming—Laramie, Wyoming.....	1	—	5
Vassar, Ervin E.—Dixon, California.....	2	5	5
Wankier, Farrell T.—Levan, Utah.....	—	5	5
Warrick & Son, Roy B.—Oskaloosa, Iowa.....	2	5	5
Winkle & Sons, L. A.—Filer, Idaho.....	1	—	10
	27	95	315



National Ram Sale Lists Many Events



Hickory Pit Lamb Barbecue

IT'S chow time!

This will be the familiar call heard at the annual Hickory Pit Lamb Barbecue which is held in conjunction with the National Ram Sale at Ogden. Site of the barbecue will be the Ogden Municipal Stadium and festivities will begin at 7 p.m. on Thursday, August 18.

Ram Sale buyers, consignors, visitors and families and friends—anyone who is looking for delicious food and a bang-up time—are invited to the barbecue.

Again this year, headliners in the Intermountain show business will be on hand to entertain at the barbecue.

Tickets will be on sale at the Coliseum during the National Ram Sale and also at the barbecue. Sponsors of the annual feast are the Ogden Junior Chamber of Commerce and the National Wool Growers Association.

Come one, come all! See you there!

Herders' Golf Tournament

GET out those old golf clubs and start practicing up—the 20th annual Shepherders' Golf Tournament is just around the corner.

If you don't golf, plan to attend anyway. A good time is in store for all who drive out to the Ogden Country Club on Wednesday, August 17 at 1 p.m. Following an afternoon of fun, refreshments and dinner will be served.

Golfers will find one of the best

courses in the West to test their skill. Non-golfers will find other interesting events scheduled to offer them a good time. And after the shooting's over, valuable prizes and awards will be given at the banquet.

Plan to come to Ogden one day before the National Ram Sale and play in the Shepherders' Golf Tournament. We're sure you'll have an excellent time.

Here's the Calendar

PROGRAM OF THE SALE

Thursday, August 18

- 9:00 A.M.—Columbias, Whiteface Crossbreds, Targhees and Panamas
- 1:00 P.M.—Rambouillets

Friday, August 19

- 9:00 A.M.—Hampshires and Suffolk-Hampshire Crossbreds
- 1:00 P.M.—Suffolks

SPECIAL EVENTS

Wednesday, August 17

- All Day—Rams on Display, Coliseum
- 1:00 P.M.—Shepherders' Golf Tournament, Ogden Golf & Country Club

Thursday, August 18

- All Day—National Wool Show, Coliseum
- 7:00 P.M.—Hickory Pit Lamb Barbecue, Ogden Stadium
(Sponsored jointly by Ogden Junior Chamber of Commerce and National Wool Growers Association)

Friday, August 19

- All Day—National Wool Show, Coliseum

Catalogs of the sale are now available. For Copy, Write Sale Management: National Wool Growers Association, 414 Crandall Building, Salt Lake City 1, Utah.



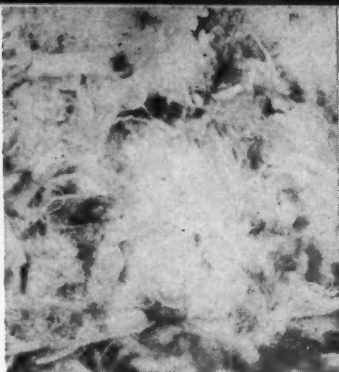
National Wool Show

OUTSTANDING wool fleeces from many States will be on display at the third National Wool Show, to be held in conjunction with the National Ram Sale in the Coliseum at Ogden, Utah.

In addition to cash prizes for entrants totaling \$154 and ribbon awards, the following trophies will be given:

- Grand champion fleece of the show, awarded by the National Wool Growers Association;
- Reserve champion fleece, awarded by the Western Wool Handlers Association;
- Best Rambouillet fleece, awarded by the American Rambouillet Sheep Breeders Association;
- Best Columbia fleece, awarded by the Columbia Sheep Breeders Association of America;
- Best Panama fleece, awarded by the American Panama Registry Association;
- Best Targhee fleece awarded by the U. S. Targhee Sheep Association.

As a special feature of the wool show, visitors will be given a chance to test their ability at judging the fleeces for cash awards.



REPORT: July Wool Market

Statements Indicate Improvement in Sight

THE customary vacation period in the manufacturing end of the wool industry is at an end, and perhaps a pick-up in the wool market may now come.

There are some healthy signs. First, retailers over all sections of the country are reported as placing orders for new lines of garments containing wool that run at least ten percent above last year. As a result of these orders, manufacturing activity is also at a higher level than a year ago. It is expected as a result of this increased demand, prices of woolen and worsted cloth will firm up. Some analysts believe that prices are

just reaching a point where profitable mill operations are possible. These improved conditions may reasonably be expected to be reflected in a better raw wool market.

Considerable interest is now being centered in what the policy of the Commodity Credit Corporation will be when its current agreement not to sell its stockpile wools below 103 percent of the 1954 loan value plus selling commission expires October 31. The USDA has asked various segments of the industry for proposals on how best to dispose of the CCC stockpile amounting to around

150 million pounds. Whatever policy is decided upon, there is assurance that the disposal will be handled in a manner least apt to disrupt the market. (Congress, as you know, is insisting the CCC dispose of its stockpiles.)

Reports say the CCC is revaluing its 1953 inventory of pulled wools. This is being done on the claim that some of these wools are not correctly graded. There are about five million pounds of these pulled wools.

The CCC is continuing the sale of its wools at the rate of from 85,000 to 100,000 pounds weekly. These is also a report that arrangements have almost been completed for the exchange of twenty million pounds of wool for certain ores produced in Turkey. Discussion on this barter has been going on for some time now. A late report (July 20) says the CCC sold 1,128,874 pounds of pulled wool the preceding week.

The foreign auction season closed at the end of June. The new series will open in Sydney, Australia, on August 29. Various opinions, of course, are current on the price level at which the auctions will open.

DOMESTIC WOOL QUOTATIONS ON THE OPEN MARKET AT BOSTON

Week Ending July 15, 1955

	CLEAN BASIS PRICES			GREASE EQUIVALENTS BASED UPON ARBITRARY SHRINKAGE PERCENTAGES (3)					
			%			%			%
GRADED TERRITORY WOOLS (1)									
Fine:									
Gd. Fr. Combing & Staple...	\$1.40—1.45	56		\$.61—.64	59		\$.57—.59	64	\$.50—.52
*Ave. & Gd. Fr. Combing...	1.35—1.40	55		.61—.63	60		.54—.56	65	.47—.49
*Sh. Fr. Comb. & Clothing...	1.25—1.30	56		.55—.57	61		.49—.51	66	.43—.44
One-half Blood:									
Gd. Fr. Combing & Staple...	1.30—1.35	51		.64—.66	54		.60—.62	57	.56—.58
*Ave. to Gd. Fr. Combing...	1.25—1.30	52		.60—.62	55		.56—.59	58	.53—.55
Three-eighths Blood:									
Gd. Fr. Combing & Staple...	1.15—1.20	48		.60—.62	51		.56—.59	54	.53—.55
*Ave. French Combing.....	1.10—1.15	49		.56—.59	52		.53—.55	55	.50—.52
One-quarter Blood:									
Gd. Fr. Combing & Staple...	1.07—1.12	46		.58—.60	48		.56—.58	50	.54—.56
*Ave. French Combing.....	.95—1.00	47		.50—.53	49		.49—.51	51	.47—.49
*Low Quarter Blood.....	1.00—1.05	41		.59—.62	43		.57—.60	45	.55—.58
*Common and Braid.....	.95—1.00	40		.57—.60	42		.55—.58	44	.53—.56

ORIGINAL BAG TERRITORY WOOLS

Fine:									
Gd. Fr. Combing & Staple...	1.30—1.40	57		.56—.60	59		.53—.57	61	.51—.55
*Ave. & Gd. Fr. Combing...	1.20—1.30	59		.49—.53	61		.47—.51	63	.44—.48

ORIGINAL BAG TEXAS WOOLS (2)

Fine:									
*Gd. Fr. Combing & Staple...	1.45—1.50	54		.67—.69	58		.61—.63	62	.55—.57
*Ave. & Gd. Fr. Combing...	1.40—1.45	55		.63—.65	59		.57—.59	63	.52—.54
*Sh. Fr. Comb. & Clothing...	1.30—1.35	57		.56—.58	61		.51—.53	65	.45—.47
*8 months (1" and over).....	1.30—1.35	55		.59—.61	58		.55—.57	61	.51—.53
*Fall (% and over).....	1.20—1.25	56		.53—.55	59		.49—.51	62	.46—.48

(1) Wools grown in the range areas of Washington, Oregon, the intermountain States, including Arizona and New Mexico, and parts of the Dakotas, Nebraska, Kansas and Oklahoma. These wools cover a wide range in shrinkage and color.

(2) Wools grown in the range areas of Texas, mostly bright in color and moderate in shrinkage except in the panhandle where they are considerably darker in color and heavier in shrinkage.

(3) In order to assist in estimating greasy wool prices, clean basis, market prices have been converted to grease basis equivalents. Conversions have been made for various shrinkages quoted. (Prices determined in this manner are largely nominal.)

*Estimated price. No sale reported.

SALES IN PRODUCING AREAS

CALIFORNIA: Late in June the Mailliard Merino wool was sold at 76 cents a pound. The net at the ranch on this clip was slightly better than 72 cents per pound.

Some lots of lamb's wool from about ten growers in Kern County sold late in June in a price range of 38 cents to 45 cents a pound net to the growers. A clip of 12-months' wool in Mono County brought 46¼ cents. Also early in July northern California and southern Oregon wool was selling at 42 to 50 cents a pound.

IDAHO: The Fremont Farm Pool of 6,000 fleeces has been sold at 46.6 cents a pound. The Arco Pool of 88,000 pounds brought 46.4 cents and the Twin Falls Pool of 80,000 pounds sold at 45½ cents. A sale of 2,000 fleeces was reported at 46¼ cents; 2,250 fleeces went at 44¾ cents; and 6,000 fleeces at 43½ cents. Also a report has been received of a sale of 40,000 pounds of Soda Springs wool at 44 cents.

MONTANA: The high selling price in recent weeks was 57 cents. It was paid for 6,000 fleeces in the White Sulphur Springs area during the early part of July. Two sales at 55 cents have been made known: 1,150 fleeces at Lennep and 10,000 fleeces in the White Sulphur Springs area. In the Harlem area 3,000 fleeces sold at 54½ cents and 54½ cents was paid for 2800 fleeces in the Ringling section. Over 30,000 fleeces in the Chinook area brought 54 cents. In addition to the above sales, nineteen lots of wool varying in amounts from 200 to 38,000

fleeces and totaling 81,750 fleeces have been sold in recent weeks up to July 6 all the way from 45 cents to 53 $\frac{1}{8}$ cents.

NEVADA: At Elko two clips (200,000 pounds and 70,000 pounds) were sold at 47 cents. The same figure was also paid for 100,000 pounds at Winnemucca.

SOUTH DAKOTA: Approximately 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ million pounds of wool had been sold at Newell, South Dakota up to July 6, all original bag. This volume comprises approximately 1,000 clips, mostly small lots of varying grades with the bulk half-blood. Prices ranged widely depending on lengths and estimated scouring shrinkages. The net prices to growers were from 45 to 60 cents with the average western South Dakota wools bringing about 52 cents net.

Around Rapid City, wools were reported as moving slowly at around 55 cents per grease pound.

TEXAS: The recent jump in mohair prices has caused rejoicing among Texas goat raisers. On July 8 as much as 90 cents was being paid for adult hair and \$1.27 $\frac{1}{2}$ for kid. With wool growers the situation was different. A considerable tonnage of wool was reported sold the last of June and early in July at prices anything but satisfactory to the growers. They ranged from 31 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 53 $\frac{1}{2}$ cents a pound. Sales covered both eight-months' and 12-months' wool but the lower prices were paid for very heavy shrinking wools. Around July 16 a few lots of 12-months' wool sold at 55 cents.

UTAH: No current sales have been reported. A summary of Juab County sales states that all the Jericho wools except one clip were sold at the shearing corral before the end of April in a price range of 52 to 57 $\frac{1}{4}$ cents per pound. There was stiff competition on these wools. After May 1, however, it was impossible to get a bid on farm clips shorn in North Sanpete County, and they were consigned.

WYOMING: Little activity in wool is reported during the first two weeks of July, but some wools were being picked up and at prices that seemed to be a little firmer. Some wools were sold the first week of July at around one cent higher and in one case about two cents higher than had been bid on the same wools three or four weeks ago.

A Park County clip was sold at 46 cents and an accumulation of small clips from the Casper area went at from 41 to 42 cents. Also, some 70,000 pounds of wool at Rock Springs was sold at 35 cents. A graded fine and half-blood clip at Rock Springs brought 42 cents. The same price was paid for an original bag fine clip at Douglas.

There is a considerable weight of Wyoming wool held at both the shearing pens and warehouses in Wyoming.

It is variously estimated that from 55 to 75 percent of the Wyoming clip has been sold, but 65 percent seems to be the generally accepted figure.

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R. C. POLLOCK HONORED



G. Norman Winder, left, retiring Chairman of the National Live Stock and Meat Board, presents five-piece Silver Service to Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Pollock at R. C. Pollock Testimonial Dinner during 32nd Annual Meeting of the National Live Stock and Meat Board in Chicago, June 22-23.

HIGH tribute was paid to R. C. Pollock, retired general manager of the National Live Stock and Meat Board, in a testimonial dinner the evening of June 22 at the Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago. The dinner was the highlight of the two-day annual meeting of the Board.

A silver tea service was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Pollock and a bound volume of 400 letters of commendation and good wishes from friends over the Nation. Major tributes were paid at the dinner by four professors of animal husbandry from Nebraska, Kansas, Minnesota and Louisiana.

These tributes were naturally tied in with the history of the Meat Board and its accomplishments, for R. C. Pollock as general manager had guided the Board's efforts since its beginning in February, 1923. Credit for the fact that meat holds such a vital place in the human diet today may largely be attributed to the National Live Stock and Meat Board and R. C. Pollock.

John F. Krey of St. Louis, Missouri, will serve as chairman of the Board during the coming year. He is an American Meat Institute representative on the Board. The sheep industry's own G. N. Winder, who has been chairman for the past two years, was elected vice chairman. Frank Richards of the National Society of Livestock Record Associations was reelected treasurer and Carl F. Neumann, secretary and general manager.

New members of the board of directors are Rue McNay, St. Louis, Missouri, to replace the late A. A. Blakely of Denver, Colorado, as the representative of the National Live Stock Exchange; W. D. Farr of Greeley, Colorado, representing the Colorado-Nebraska Lamb Feeders Association, who replaces H. W. Farr; and Charles Shuman of the American Farm Bureau Federation, who succeeds A. B. Kline.

Nearly 600 people attended this 32nd annual meeting of the Meat Board on June 22-23.



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TO SPAIN AND FRANCE

IDLEWILD AIRPORT, N. Y.—Officers of the California Range Association, accompanied by wives, board a Trans World Airlines Sky Tourist flight to Madrid where they will complete arrangements with the governments of Spain and France for the continued importation of sheepherders, primarily Basque, into the United States for use in California and ten other western sheep-raising States.

In the departing group are John P. Bidegaray, Fresno, California, president of the California Range Association, and wife; Philip Erro, Fresno, vice president of the association, and wife; Robert Franklin, Fresno, secretary of the association, and wife; Fermin Huarte, Madera, California, association director; Basil Aldecoa, Caldwell, Idaho, and wife; Justo Sansberro, Stockton, California; Antonio Lenz, Silvestre Pascal and Tom Mindecoa, sheepherders making a return visit to Spain; Mrs. Puri Zubeldia, Le-moore, California, widow of a sheepherder; Mike Elizagoyen, sheepherder, South Dos Palos, California; Fermin Yparraguirre, sheepherder, South Dos Palos, and Parks Gilmore, TWA district sales manager, Fresno.

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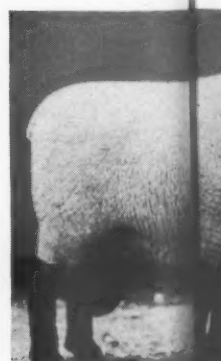


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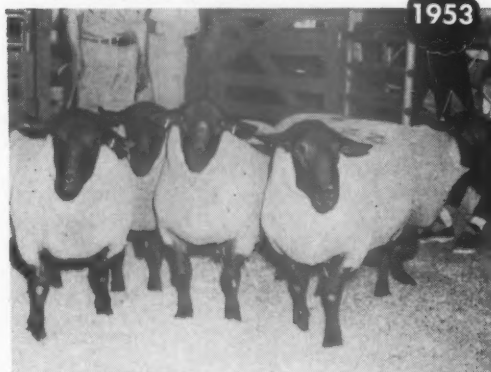
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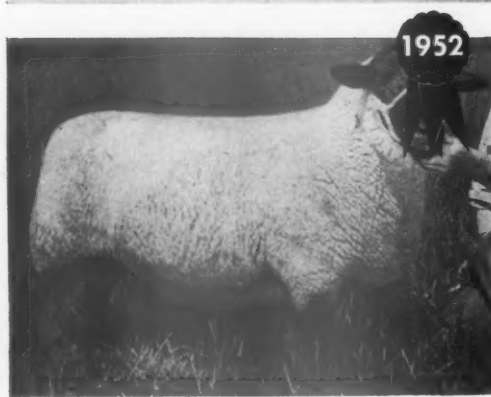
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C. F. Burger with some of his Suffolk yearlings near Payette, Idaho.

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TOURING THE RAM COUNTRY

by EDWIN E. MARSH

(Photographs by the author)

(Editor's Note: Each spring Edwin E. Marsh, assistant secretary of the National Wool Growers Association and manager of the National Ram Sale takes an inspection tour to the ranches and to see the rams of a number of sale consignors.

Sale Manager Marsh found his trip so interesting this year that he decided to report on it to the readers of the NATIONAL WOOL GROWER. We, too, thought this a good idea. So the story was written and the trip is about to begin. . . . Won't you join us? . . . And away we go. . . .)

ON May 2 and 3, I attended the California Ram Sale in Sacramento. Then I spent one day visiting the ranches in California of consignors to our National Ram Sale.

When Ervin and Lucy Vassar of Dixon heard that I didn't have my car, they insisted on my making use of one of their pick-up trucks. This, of course, was typical of the kindness and hospitality of sheep people all over the nation. They're a grand lot.

At the Coble's

After a late afternoon TV appearance in Sacramento, following the California Ram Sale, I drove to Winters, California, to the ranch of Fred and Marian Coble, where I had been invited to spend the night. One of those wonderful ranch suppers was awaiting me on arrival.

After a visit and a good night's sleep, followed by a big, delicious ranch breakfast, we went out in the cool of the morning to see the Coble Suffolk flock. Outside of the well-known Campbell flock, the Cobles have one of the oldest Suffolk flocks in California. They have been raising this breed for approximately 20 years. Their foundation stock comes from Charmley, Ellesmere and other names synonymous with quality bloodlines. This year, they had a 175 percent lamb crop.

It was nice to see their ewes and lambs thriving on trefoil and English white clover. During my visit the Cobles were in the midst of constructing a more extensive irrigation system for their ranch, since it doesn't always rain in California.

To Frank Nissen's

The Cobles then accompanied me about 15 miles north to the Frank Nissen ranch near Esparto. The Nissen home is an imposing white structure, built, so Frank informs me, before he was born. It is very sturdily built and has an atmosphere and charm that makes it a home instead of a house, as was plainly evident when Mrs. Nissen invited us in for a cup of coffee. The home and ranch are beautifully situated in the wooded foothills on the eastern edge of California's coast range.

Frank got his start in Suffolks in 1936 with the importation of six Goodchild ewes. Since then he has continued to

purchase the very best bloodlines obtainable. The rams from which Frank's selection for the National will be chosen, looked beautiful indeed out in a field of barley, with a heavily wooded background. Also on the diet list of Frank's Suffolks are oats, vetch, alfalfa hay and trefoil.

Dinner at Ervin and Lucy's

After leaving the Nissen's, I made my final visit in California at the home of Ervin and Lucy Vassar in Dixon, where I was invited for lunch (which turned out to be an exceptionally good dinner). After dinner, Ervin and I went out to look over the Suffolks from which their selection will be made for the National. We also looked over the ram which sired this year's National Sale consignment. He's really quite an animal. The Vassars have been raising Suffolks for 10 years. The foundation of their good breeding flock contains names associated with quality in the sheep world—Stuart Paul, Scotch Highland Champion, and Birchland. The top ewes from the Howard Vaughn Estate are now part of the Vassar flock.

Following this enjoyable afternoon in Dixon, Mrs. Vassar drove me over to Sacramento, where I caught the streamliner, "City of San Francisco" which brought me back to the grind of the Salt Lake office the following day. After two weeks in the office, I was ready to start out again, this time with my car.

To Northern Utah

ON this second itinerary were consignors in Utah, Idaho and Oregon. I took off from Salt Lake City on a bright, warm, sunny morning (one of the few such days I was to see on this trip) and my first stop was Brigham City, Utah, where I found Rambouillet breeder Lloyd Davis sacking wool from his freshly shorn ewes. We went over to inspect the rams he intends to consign to the sale this summer. Since they were only in two-months' fleece, it was easy to see the body conformation. From this lot, he will pick his biggest and best for the National. Lloyd, incidentally, is a firm believer in promotion and is in favor of Section 708 of the National Wool Act. He stipulated, however, that his approval was based on the funds being used in worthwhile promotion work and not eaten up in salaries and administrative red tape.

To Robinson's, Then to Jenkins'

The next stop was Logan, Utah, and the Columbia flock of R. Bob Robinson. Bob was in the midst of shearing, and his wife was busy with quite a large flock of newly hatched chicks. Bob got his start with Columbias 10 years ago from the flocks of Pete Thomas, Alden Barton and the Utah State Agricultural College. His rams made an imposing picture, indeed, out in a green field with the Wasatch Mountains for a backdrop. Bob was also proud of his lambs, which averaged 100 pounds at 4½ months.

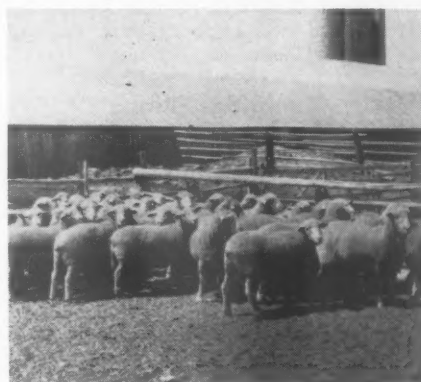
My next stop north a few miles was at the ranch of Allan Jenkins. I was fortunate to find him home, as he is spending quite a lot of time in Idaho, where he has bought a ranch located about twenty miles from Soda Springs. He runs his ewes and lambs there during the summer and raises oats and barley on this Idaho property. Allen is grooming some good Suffolks for the National



Tommy Davis, son of Lloyd Davis of Brigham City, Utah, holds a shorn range Rambouillet which will be at the National.

and has used some outstanding animals in his flock including the son of an imported Finch ram and also rams from Floyd Fox and the University of Idaho. He has also used Canadian importations.

From there I went to the Wynn S. Hansen Ranch at Collinston, where I spent the evening. Wynn's wife, Blanche, is a good cook, and the evening menu included some very delicious, piping hot lamb chops. Next morning we went out and looked over the Hansen Columbias and Rambouillets—good serviceable animals in short fleece. Wynn took over the ranch in 1923. His father established the flock in 1890 with some Rambouillets from the Garnier flock of Sacramento, California, which were imported from the Von Homeyer flock, Germany, and made the long trip to California via Cape Horn.



Columbia yearling rams at Wynn Hansen's in Collinston, Utah, are shown above.

Then into Idaho

NEXT stop was Malad, Idaho, where I saw Pete Thomas and his Columbia flock which has made a good record at the National Ram Sale. The Thomas flock was established about 30 years ago.

Rams from the Utah State Agricultural College and from Wynn Hansen are among the good ones which have sired his flock. Pete raises his own alfalfa and oats.

A sunny, windy afternoon's drive through the desert brought me into Twin Falls and to the ranch of R. B. Beatty. He not only knows how to raise good Suffolk-Hampshire rams but he is a good cook as well, and he put some really choice steaks on the broiler that evening. Mr. Beatty raised Hampshires for 25 years and has been raising Suffolk-Hampshires for the past 10. He got his first Hampshire ewes from the outstanding Butterfield herd of Idaho. Hay, grain and beans grown on the ranch are on the diet list of his sheep.

After getting the car greased and arranging to have some films developed in a rush, I drove over to Filer to see



Harry Sandquist of Ontario, Oregon, is pictured with his Suffolk yearling rams.

Leonard Winkle. Leonard got his start in Hampshires in the early 30's and is now also raising Suffolks and Suffolk-Hampshire crossbreds. Leonard got his start in the Hampshire business from the father of our National Association president, John Breckenridge. John's father bought some Hampshire ewes and rams from the Royal herd of England, and Leonard used a ram out of one of the Royal ewes.

The Winkles have also used an imported Finch ram and a ram which Robert Blastock imported from England. Incidentally, if you are ever going to lunch at the Winkles, eat a light breakfast. Mrs. Winkle is a good cook, and the food is plentiful.

Then into my car and a few miles west to Buhl to see W. E. McCoy, who is operating the purebred sheep operations which his father started in 1928. McCoy, known to his friends as "Abe," is growing some good, big Suffolks and Suffolk-Hampshires. He reports a 154 percent lamb crop this year.


Pooles' Magic Valley Hampshires

After leaving the McCoy's, I crossed over the Snake River and headed for the ranch of Pooles' Magic Valley Hampshires. Dee J. and his wife Helen were particularly pleased that the top-selling Hampshire at the California Ram Sale this year was sired by their top-selling Hampshire in the 1952 National.

They have a particularly fine set of rams this year, and in addition to their Hampshires will be consigning one pen of Suffolk-Hampshire crossbreds to the National.

The Pooles have been raising Hampshires for 10 years, starting in Northern Colorado and moving their operations to Idaho in 1949. Their foundation stock is from the well-known Moncreiffe flock of Wyoming. They really got their start with 35 yearling ewes and a ram lamb named "Rocket," son of Burnham Grigna Royal, the last ram imported by Malcolm Moncreiffe.

The next stop was the ranch of Wil-



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Filer, Idaho

lard Turner, Nampa, who consigned the high-selling Suffolk stud at the National not so long ago. Willard has been in the purebred sheep business for 41 years and has raised Suffolk-Hampshires for the last 12 years. He says he has had some very good rams sired by an imported Finch ram and a University of Idaho ram. Willard told me hay got scarce and awfully high priced in Idaho this past winter. I also heard that elsewhere.

B. B. Burroughs, Homedale, was next on my itinerary. His young son was decked out in cowboy regalia. So B. B. saddled up one of his big stud rams, and although it was dusk, we snapped a picture of the boy on the ram. Then B. B. and I discussed the economic outlook for the sheep industry and he was not overly optimistic. B. B. has been raising Suffolks since 1936 and got his foundation stock out of ewes imported by J. P. Gray of Nampa, Idaho.

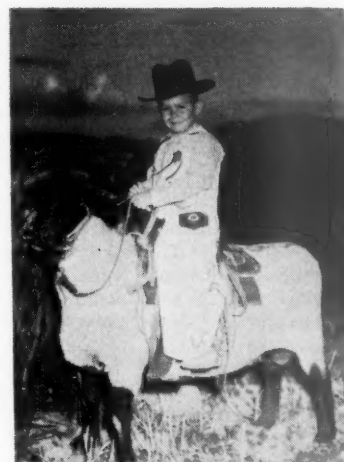
Cambridge, Idaho

Cambridge, Idaho, was my next destination, and believe me, I have never seen that country looking greener or more beautiful. Good rains in May and more while I was there had brought forth an abundance of green feed.

First I visited Lawson Howland and saw the Charles Howland and Son range rams by the Weiser River. Later on in my trip, I saw the stud rams and registered pen for the National at the Charles Howland ranch in Weiser. Charles Howland has had quite a siege of illness in the hospital in Boise this spring. However, since he fortunately showed some recovery, he was moved to the hospital in Weiser the day or so before I arrived there; and I was able to visit with him for a few minutes in the Weiser hospital. (This report was written prior to the passing of Mr. Howland.)



Allan Jenkins, Newton, Utah, holds one of his Suffolk yearling stud rams.



B. B. Burroughs, Jr., of Homedale, Idaho, saddles up one of dad's Suffolk flock headers.

Following my visit with Lawson, I went to the Tom Burton home where I spent the night and had the pleasure of visiting with both Tom and Mrs. Burton and enjoying their wonderful hospitality. Next morning we climbed into a jeep and drove out 10 miles from the ranch to the Burton range. Tom has part of his range fenced off into 1,000-acre pasture and plans to continue his fencing program for the next five years. He is quite pleased with this program which he says reduces herding labor and keeps both the range and rams in better condition. Coyotes are nil, thanks to 1080.

This ranch, where an abundance of rough, lava rock enables rams to develop good feet and where 20 or so native grasses, shrubs and flowers provide nourishing feed, might well be termed "Burton's Buck Factory."

I then visited Carl Bumgarner, who has been raising Suffolks for 15 years. Carl, incidentally, sold Idaho's ex-governor, Len Jordan, some rams back about 1937. He has used a Grenville ram that was purchased from the Prince of Wales farm in Canada. He says he feeds his rams strictly on home-grown feeds—oats, barley, wheat and alfalfa hay.

Earl Armacost, another Cambridge consignor to the National, next on my itinerary, also got his start in the Suffolk business about 15 years ago. Part of his foundation stock came from the Charles Howland and Son flock. His rams were thriving on a good spring range a few miles out of Cambridge. His lamb crop this year was 150 percent.

My final visits in Cambridge were with Roy Blakley and Earl Root, who got their start in Suffolks from the T. B. Burton ranch. This, coupled with the fact that they know how to raise them, means some more good ones for the National sale.

Almost Got Lost!

Had a little trouble finding my next destination, the ranch of C. F. Burger on Little Willow Creek near Payette, Idaho. The Burgers recently moved to their new home from Weiser, and I finally tracked them down. Burger started raising Suffolks in 1944, getting his foundation stock from Charles Howland and Son. Guess I arrived too near lunch time, but I did enjoy a delicious meal prepared by Mrs. Burger. Then we went out to inspect the Suffolks, a good lot of heavy boned rams. Mr. Burger said this year's 170 percent lamb crop is one of the best he has ever had. It included quite a few triplets.

Next visit was with a new consignor to the sale, Harry Sandquist, who lists his address as Ontario, Oregon, but who really lives across the Snake River in Idaho. I thought Harry would be a stranger; but when I saw him, I remembered having met him at several conventions of the Oregon Wool Growers Association. Harry is county agent for Malheur County, Oregon. Through careful selection and culling, he has developed what I would term a very good Suffolk flock. His foundation ewes were from the CPR flock in Canada, and his foundation stock also came from the

late Dave Waddell and other prominent Suffolk breeders. He has also used a Burton ram. After an enjoyable visit, Mrs. Sandquist, Harry and I went to a nearby club for a delicious fried chicken dinner.

Now over to Oregon

THEN over to western Oregon to see the Willamette Valley rams. The first stop was the beautiful Waldo Hills home of Floyd Fox, who has been a Suffolk consignor to the National for a number of years. Floyd has been raising Suffolks for 25 years and got his foundation stock from the Clarindale farms in Canada. He has used CPR Canadian rams, Ellesmere rams from England, and a University of Idaho ram. Floyd has exhibited sheep in shows all the way from Kansas City to San Francisco and has many fond memories from these shows and ram sales he has attended.

I couldn't resist his invitation to stop back on Sunday and do a little fishing in his private lake. "Little fishing" is right, as I only caught one trout. Better luck next time, I hope.

When I arrived at my next stop, the ranch of E. J. Handley, McMinnville, a



Stud and registered consignment of the late Charles Howland and Son, Weiser, Idaho.

beautiful scene greeted my eyes. Handley's border collie was herding the rams, knee-deep in lush grass down a hill in the late afternoon sun. Pasture feeds grown on his ranch for his Columbias include rye grass, fescue, and some clover. Mr. Handley got his start in Columbias in 1942 with foundation stock from the U. S. Sheep Experiment Station at Dubois. He has also used a Cy Young ram. Mrs. Handley very graciously invited me to dinner; and I regretted that I couldn't accept due to a previous engagement and a rather tight schedule.

Next stop was Junction City, Oregon, and the ranch of Walter P. Hubbard. Upon arrival there, I found that Walter had a visitor from England, a Mr. Bolton, who raises Romney-Marsh sheep. Walter has some good stud rams for the National and other sales this summer.

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L. A. Winkle of Filer, Idaho, shows some good, big Suffolk ram lambs.



Studs and registered pen offerings from Pooles' Magic Valley Hampshires, Jerome, Idaho.

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His foundation Suffolk ewes were of Canadian and English origin, and he has used practically all imported rams in his flock, including two famous ones, "Yeldham Templar" and "Kirton Guard."

I was saddened to learn when I got to Oregon of the passing of Eugene Hubbard, brother of Walter and Chauncey. Eugene was well known in the Willamette Valley and all over the West where he has consigned to ram sales, including the National.

The last stop in Oregon was the ranch of C. M. Hubbard and Sons. As usual, I found both of them busy with the sheep. Chauncey's top-quality studs and registered pen for the National were indeed an impressive sight, out in a field of crimson clover with snow-covered Mary's Peak just barely visible in the background. In addition to crimson clover, other pasture feeds grown on the Hubbard ranch include English rye grass, volunteer spring oats, rape and vetch. Chauncey said more rain was needed, and one of the new-type sprinkling systems in one field was greening up a crop of barley.

Back toward Salt Lake

THEN out of Oregon and back toward Salt Lake to make calls in Idaho that I had missed on the trip west. In Boise I stopped to visit with Mel Claar, secretary of the Idaho Wool Growers Association, and A. H. Caine of the Idaho Livestock Credit Association, who is also chairman of our Vibriosis Committee.

Then on to Rupert, Idaho, with the first stop being the ranch of Joe Horn, a Panama consignor to the National. Joe has been raising Panamas for 28 years and got his start in the business from the late Tom Bell. Joe showed me an outstanding Panama registered lamb which is a good stud prospect for the National Sale.

Horn has several good fleeces stored away for the National Wool Show in Ogden this summer and takes quite an



Suffolk yearling rams from the Frank Nissen flock in Esparto, California.



Part of the T. B. Burton Suffolk and Suffolk-Hampshire flock on the range about 10 miles from Cambridge, Idaho.

interest in improving his wool production. He feels he has made progress during the last five years not only in increasing his poundage of clean wool per fleece, but also in improving his wool grading.

Harry Meuleman of Rupert, whom I visited next, is another ram sale consignor who is interested in wool yields and grading. He is also saving his best fleeces for the National Wool Show. He showed me a Panama ram he hopes to enter in the National as a stud that sheared 26 pounds at about 14 months of age.

Becker's Sound Program

Then on to M. W. Becker's ranch a few miles east of Rupert. When a man can consign the top-selling Suffolk stud to the National Ram Sale and then go to the Chicago International and show the first place ewe lamb the same year, it is a fairly good indication that his breeding program is sound.

Becker showed me his ewe which took first place in Chicago as well as one of his stud prospects for the National, sired by the top-selling ram at our sale last year. He also showed me another stud prospect, a ram sired by the twin of last year's top ram. Becker has been raising Suffolks since 1939. He started his flock in Illinois and came to Idaho in 1940. He bought the R. B. Turner flock and also has some Predmore breeding. Two outstanding sires that he has used are an imported ram, "Grange John Harry" and a Walter Hubbard ram.

After enjoying a delicious dinner at the Beckers, I drove to Pocatello and on the next morning to Idaho Falls in rain, rain, rain. I braved a dirt road into the hills east of Idaho Falls to the ranch of the Elkington Brothers. Their rams are well grown this year, and their Columbias look especially big and sturdy. The rains had made that mountain country particularly green and beautiful, but

sunshine and warm weather was needed when I was there June 1.

Then down into the valley just east of Idaho Falls to inspect the Panama flock of Ricks Brothers who had the high-selling Panama range pen in the 1954 National. They got their start in Panamas nine years ago from the flock of the late Tom Bell, and have used some Laidlaw Panamas as sires. Lawrence Ricks told me they have increased their wool poundage per fleece by two pounds in the last few years, and he believes they are getting a better, more even fleece than formerly. Their ewes and lambs graze on the Fort Hall Indian reservation.

From Idaho Falls, I drove to Soda Springs, but not without a little annoyance. Don't let anyone tell you that tubeless tires are 100 percent safe and efficient. One went flat on me with only 3100 miles of wear on it, and it went flat fast just out of Baneroff, Idaho. Got it changed; and since it was a faulty tire, got it replaced when I returned to Salt Lake.

40-Year Consignor

My next stop was the H. L. Finch & Sons ranch at Soda Springs. The Finch consignment is the only one that has been in the National Ram Sale since its inception at the Fair Grounds in Salt



Suffolk yearling rams of C. N. Carlsen and Son, Ovid, Idaho.

Lake City back in 1916. Although the calendar showed June 2 during my visit, Mr. Finch, his son Carl and I walked around in snow (this has indeed been a strange spring) to look over the good-boned, big yearlings that are being groomed for the National. The sheep industry owes a debt of gratitude to Henry Finch for his many fine importations of rams that have done much in breed improvement for many of the leading flocks of the West. Henry says he is certain that his sons will continue to carry on the Finch tradition for quality during the years ahead.

Topped California Sale

After having lunch with Henry Finch, I drove about 35 miles to Ovid, Idaho, where I visited Hampville Ranch, and the friendly Matthews Brothers. (I'll never forget the first time I met them at their shearing corral some seven or eight years ago and they mistook me for a wool buyer.) One of the men at the ranch got on horseback and went way up on the hilly range and brought the ewes and lambs down so that we could look them over. Believe me, they have some more good big Hampshires for the National this year. They are quite pleased over the fact that they topped the California Ram Sale with their first consignment this year.

The next stop was at the ranch of C. N. Carlsen and Son, also of Ovid. Carlsen had the high range average in Suffolks at the National last year, which isn't bad considering it was his first year in the sale with Suffolks. They have another good set of rams this year, so maybe he will make another record.

Reed S. Hymas & Sons, who live close by, also have a good set of Suffolks and will be bringing another quality consignment to the National. Reed was especially happy to have his son home from the Army for a short visit. He drove up over the mountain road to Preston, Idaho, to find snow several feet deep, even though it was June 2, and

told me not to try to return to Salt Lake that way, so I took his advice.

Both the Hymas and Carlsen flocks have been sired by a Henry Finch import; and both flocks started out with Predmore breeding as well as other leading Suffolk flocks of Idaho and Utah, and also Canada.

To Rambouillet Country

AFTER stopping in Salt Lake long enough to get a new tire, I took off for the Rambouillet country, Sanpete

County, Utah. First stop was at the famous John K. Madsen Rambouillet Farm which was founded in 1891 and has provided foundation ewes and rams for many leading commercial and purebred Rambouillet flocks of the nation. Frank Swenson, one of the present partners and manager of the ranch, is highly pleased with the way the shorn range rams are shaping up for the National. (All of the range Rambouillets in our sale this year will be shorn.) They are doing very well, and they as well as the other shorn Rambouillets to be offered at the sale should find favor with buy-

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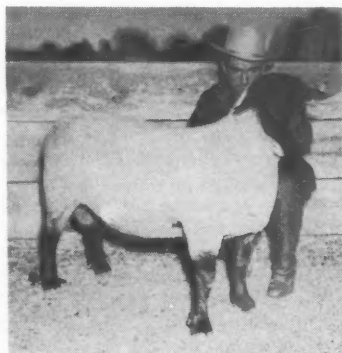
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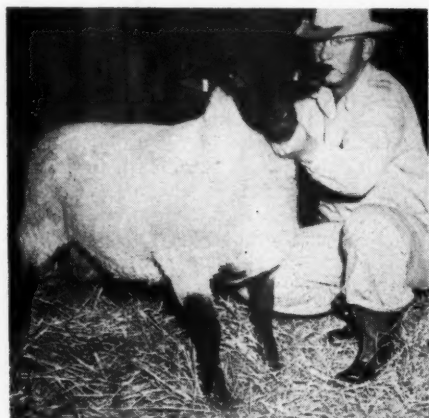
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Suffolk yearling of M. W. Becker, Rupert, Idaho.

TOUR

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Carl Finch of H. L. Finch and Sons, Soda Springs, Idaho, poses with a Suffolk stud ram for the National.



Farrell Wankier, Levan, Utah, will bring these yearling Suffolks to the National.



Columbia rams (mostly yearlings) in the E. J. Handley flock near McMinnville, Oregon.

ers, who this year, will see the body conformation of the rams as they come into the ring.

Clifford Olsen—Progressive

Next stop was Ephraim, "the Rambouillet center of the world." My first call was on Clifford Olsen, a progressive young man, who, although he has been raising Rambouillets for only five years, had the top-selling range pen at the National last year. We drove out to his ranch east of Ephraim, and Clifford showed me his two-year-old ram that was champion at the recent Sanpete Rambouillet Show. Also saw his choice stud prospects for the National, as well as his registered pen and shorn range rams. His rams for the Texas sale later

that month, in full fleece, also looked especially nice. He is a staunch believer in careful, selective breeding and mating the right type of ram with the right type of ewe for better fleece production.

I next visited Adin Nielson, whose flock, noted for its dense, fine wool, has been developed both by himself and his father over the past 42 years. Adin is not only one of the top sellers at the National and other ram sales but also had the grand champion at the Utah State Fair last fall.

The flock of George L. Beal and Sons was my next stop. George and son Stanley proudly showed me their beautiful ram which was champion yearling at the recent Sanpete show. It was sired by the ram they purchased in Wyoming several years ago that was a champion at the Chicago International—proof that "like begets like." The George L. Beal & Sons flock is another of those that have been toppers at the National.

I next visited a new consignor to the National this year, Harold Jensen & Son. Jay Jensen is the "son" in this partnership and showed me the five big, good-bodied, shorn Rambouillet range rams he is grooming for the National. Taking the wool off makes them active—so active that we had a struggle to get a picture of them.

After looking at so many Rambouillets, I decided to look at Therald Larsen's flock of Hampshires. Since Therald is in Veterinary School at Ft. Collins this year, his father is looking after the flock until he can get home. He was expected the following week. Out of 50 good Hampshire yearling rams, Therald should be able to bring a popping good consignment for this year's sale. Two of the sires now being used to produce their good rams for the sale are from the Matthews Brothers and L. A. Winkle & Sons flocks.

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Another Rambouillet Consignor

Bright and early the next morning, I phoned the residence of Reuel Christensen, another of our Rambouillet consignors. His wife told me he had just left for the ranch a few miles west of Ephraim and that if I rushed out there, I could probably catch him before he took off for the West Mountain, where his ewes and lambs were grazing. I found Reuel and his two sons. We looked over the sheep and had a good visit.

Reuel has been raising purebred Rambouillets since 1935 and got his foundation stock through the Ephraim Progressive Rambouillet Association. To sire his flock he has used outstanding rams from the John K. Madsen Farm, S. E. Christensen and George Beal.

Reuel is quite sold on the possibilities of promotion work under Section 708 of the National Wool Act. He says he will be only too happy to vote in favor of it, because he feels it is our salvation.

From there I went north a few miles to the ranch of F. R. Christensen & Sons, located at the foot of the mountains west of Ephraim. Found F. R., known to his friends as "Rod," about a mile from the main ranch, busy docking some of his lambs. Rod is glad to have one of his sons home from the Army to help on the ranch; he is also glad that another son will be out of the Army next fall. They will have some good Rambouillets and whiteface crossbreds in the National this year. The F. R. Christensen flock was founded in 1917, with some sheep raised by Adin Nielson's father; and Mr. Christensen has bought the top-selling Rambouillet stud at the National on at least five occasions. Among outstanding rams used in his flock were "Ginger" and "Commander" of the Ephraim Progressive Rambouillet Association, as well as Nielson and George Beal rams.

Then to wind up my visits in Ephraim, I called upon another veteran Rambouillet breeder, who has been in the business for about 30 years, S. E. Christensen. The S. E. Christensen & Son flock was founded with Nielson and Candland

stock. S. E. Christensen is another breeder who believes that good stud rams pay regardless of the price. He has purchased a number of top-sellers at the National and also states he purchased the highest-priced ram ever sold in Ephraim. The Christensens took a vacation in Hawaii last fall which they really enjoyed, going one way via air and one way via boat.

Next called on George Barton at Manti, who with his brother, Lee, have the responsibility of operating the Alden K. Barton & Sons flock, since their father is serving in Salt Lake City full time as Commissioner of Agriculture for the State of Utah. The Barton Columbia flock was started about 1925 with Dubois sheep. This was during the period when Bill Denecke (one of our present Columbia consignors from Bozeman, Montana) was in charge of the USDA Experiment Station at Dubois.

In addition to Dubois rams, the Bartons have used rams from the flocks of Cy Young, Pete Thomas, Bill Denecke, and Wynn Hansen.

George Barton is especially conscious
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College of Southern Utah, Cedar City, will bring this Rambouillet stud to the National.



This yearling Rambouillet stud ram will be consigned to the National by Clifford Olsen, Ephraim, Utah.

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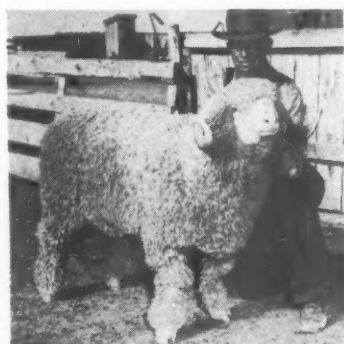
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Voyle Bagley of Aurora, Utah, and a yearling Rambouillet stud ram.

August, 1955



Myrthen Moon, Springville, Utah, will top his National Ram Sale consignment from these Suffolk yearlings.



Walter P. Hubbard, Junction City, Oregon, will consign these Suffolk stud offerings to the National and other sales this summer.

of the value of promotion, since he is chairman of the marketing and advertising committee of the Utah Wool Growers Association. He is wholeheartedly in favor of a promotion program under the National Wool Act, believing it to be the equitable way to raise needed promotion funds.

Voyle Bagley — Rambouillets

Arrived at Voyle Bagley's in Aurora, Utah, late in the afternoon only to find he was away up in the mountains in the Fish Lake country with his ewes and lambs and expected back late that evening. However, I was ahead of schedule so arranged with his wife to see him early next morning at his ranch near Aurora, where he keeps his rams. When I met Voyle the next morning, he said the rams were temporarily without water because some careless driver had knocked down a telephone pole on the power line supplying electricity for a water pump on Voyle's ranch.

Voyle has been raising Rambouillets since 1928 and got his foundation stock mostly from the well-known Candland flock. He has used top rams from all of the leading Rambouillet breeders.

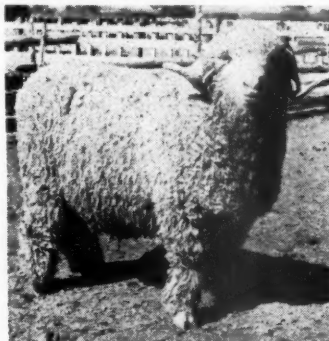
Bagley is definitely sold on Section 708 of the National Wool Act and says we haven't been spending nearly enough to promote our products.

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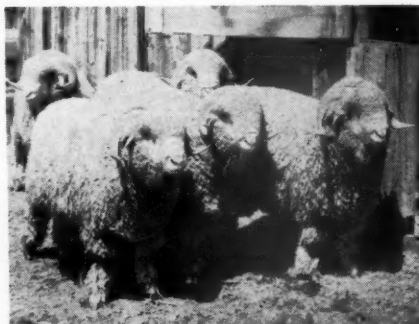
THE next stop was Cedar City, Utah, and a visit with Darrell Matthews of the College of Southern Utah. I met him out at the College Farm west of Cedar City and looked over the College Rambouillets, Hampshires and Suffolks. The College will have what appears to be an outstanding Hampshire stud in this year's consignment and also one or two

very good Rambouillet studs.

The Cedar City vicinity has had its share of drought this year. Darrell told me there were 103 days this spring without any precipitation. He has been doing some research work the past year on death losses of lambs, and says he has found a marked difference in death losses of two-year-old ewes and younger ewes as compared to older ewes. Death losses of lambs, he reports, run as high



Look for this Rambouillet yearling in the National Ram Sale consignment of John H. Beal, Cedar City, Utah.



This will be the registered pen consignment to be sold at the National by Clifford Olsen, Ephraim, Utah.

as 23 percent in two-year-old ewes and never above 9 percent in older ewes.

They are keeping their two-year-olds separate from other ewes in the flock and keeping all of their flock in groups of 25 ewes.

Dr. John Beal

I then called on Dr. John Beal and we drove out to his ranch a few miles north and west of Cedar City to see the Rambouillets. Both the woolled and sheared rams were doing well, and his consignment leaving for the Texas sale later that week looked especially good.

John is happy that he sold his wool early at 60 cents per pound f.o.b. the ranch on an open bid basis. He is very much in favor of the promotion program under Section 708 of the National Wool Act, stating we only spend a trifle on promotion and that if sheepmen can't promote their products properly, they had better go out of business.

Had a nice visit with Mr. and Mrs. Farrell T. Wankier and Farrell, Junior at their home in Levan, Utah. Farrell, Jr. graduated from Utah State Agricultural College and expects to go to Ecuador this fall under the International Farm Youth Exchange Program. However, his dad is happy that he will be home this summer helping to get the rams ready for the sale.

Farrell has really shown good progress in the raising of Suffolks, and I can honestly say that I have never seen his rams looking better. He has been in the Suffolk business for about 20 years now and has used good rams from the flocks of C. M. Hubbard and Sons, University of Idaho, Clarindale Stock Farm of Canada and has used an imported English ram from Stuart Paul.

Next visited E. N. Christensen at Levan, who was busy building a hedge fence in front of his home. He didn't

get his rams shorn until April 17, and they were very closely machine shorn. Therefore they will be in shorter fleece than most of the Rambouillets in our sale and consequently might look a little smaller. But they should be good, serviceable rams.

Olsen Brothers Were Haying

Found the Olsen Brothers, Alden and Snell, busy with their first cutting of hay. We then drove over to their yards to see the rams, and it seems like every year they progress farther even though they had the top selling pen of Suffolk-Hampshire crossbreds in the National Sale and in the Nation last year. Both their Suffolks and Suffolk-Hampshire crossbreds are good, big sturdy rams, so look for some good pens at the National. They have used Burroughs, Hubbard and Burton rams in the eight years they have been raising Suffolks and Suffolk-Hampshire crossbreds. They have been raising Hampshires since 1940.

I thought possibly our two Columbia consignors from Spanish Fork, Mark Hanson and Mark Bradford, might be away attending the Columbia Sheep Breeders meeting in Oregon. However, neither one made it this year, although they are very much interested in Columbia Association affairs.

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Just a few of the Columbias to be consigned to the National by Mark Bradford of Spanish Fork, Utah.



From Spanish Fork, Utah, Mark Hanson will include some of these in his consignment to Ogden, August 18.

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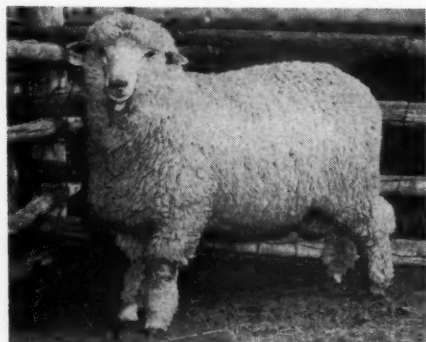
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Yearling rams from the famous John K. Madsen Rambouillet Farm, Mt. Pleasant, Utah.



Harry Meuleman of Rupert, Idaho, holds a Panama registered stud yearling he is bringing to the National.



Panama stud lamb to be included in the consignment of Joe Horn, Rupert, Idaho.



These yearling Rambouillets are in the F. R. Christensen and Sons flock, Ephraim, Utah.



From this flock, Fred M. Laidlaw of Muldoon, Idaho, will top out his best Suffolk yearlings for the National.



Champion yearling in the 1955 Sanpete Show is the Rambouillet from the George L. Beal and Sons flock of Ephraim, Utah.



Ervin Vassar, Dixon, California, with "Birchlands 2H" sire of the Suffolk stud rams in the Vassar consignment to the National.



Five of the best yearlings in this Suffolk flock will be chosen for the National by Carl Bumgarner, Cambridge, Idaho.

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J. H. Bone—Lafayette, Ind.

My Corriedale ewes, given Rex Oil at the beginning of breeding season, all lambd within a 30 day period. Lambs were much stronger and were very uniform. Ewes had less lambing trouble and lambing was 148%.

C. E. Starkweather—Crozet, Va.

I have used Rex Oil with my sheep for years. I have been able to concentrate the lambing season into 6 weeks. Vitality of the lambs born always impresses me.

A. Whitney Myers—Muncie, Ind.

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F. W. Myer—Pleasant Grove, Calif.

I bought some Suffolk ewes last year and the performance was bum. Your oil is O. K. With Rex, 8 ewes have 14 heavy, vigorous lambs. No lambing trouble—no lambs born dead, no stiff lamb disease.

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TOUR

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Mark Hanson tells me that one of the wool buyers remarked to him that the

range flocks need more staple and this particular buyer thinks Columbias are the answer.

Both Mark Bradford and Mark Hanson raised their own foundation stock of

Columbias using Dubois rams and starting their flocks about 20 years ago.

Mark Bradford is very much aware of the need for more promotion work on wool and lamb and thinks Section 708 of the National Wool Act offers a great opportunity. Mark Hanson also says this echoes his sentiments.

Myrthen Moon's place in Springville was my next stop. Again this year he has a good set of rams from which his pen selections for the National will be made. Moon started his flock with about 50 ewes from M. W. Becker who topped the National last year. The rams for this year's sale are sired by a Walter Hubbard ram. Moon also purchased the C. F. Burger stud ram at last year's National Sale.



Adin Nielson, Nielson Sheep Company, Ephraim, Utah, with some of his good Rambouillet stud rams. They'll meet you at the National.



C. N. Carlsen and Sons of Ovid, Idaho, will make their National Sale selections from these Suffolk yearlings.



These Hampshire yearlings will soon be enroute to the National. Matthews Brothers, Ovid, Idaho, are the consignors.

Busy in the Corn

Found Angel Caras of Spanish Fork busy cultivating a field of sweet corn and getting ready to leave the next day for a trip to California. Angel's son, Ernest, took me over to see the bucks for the National. Maybe these consignors get inspired to raise bigger and better rams when they see the competition in the National Ram Sale; as in a number of other cases this year, I can see that the Caras flock is becoming better every year. They should have some choice yearlings for the National, sired by a Walter Hubbard Ram. Ernest tells me that hay has been awfully scarce this year, and their first crop was damaged and delayed by late frost.

That about winds up my tour for this year. I only wish it were feasible to visit all the consignors to the sale, but time won't permit it and some of them are so scattered that it would be economically impossible to visit all of their ranches. However, they are a grand lot of people . . . and they make my work extremely interesting and continually enjoyable.

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Mark B. Hanson
SPANISH FORK, UTAH

this month's Quiz

DO YOU PREFER TO BUY RANGE RAMBOUILLET RAMS THAT HAVE BEEN SPRING SHORN SO THAT YOU CAN BETTER SEE THE BODY CONFORMATION AND WON'T HAVE TO SHEAR THEM IN THE FALL, OR DO YOU PREFER THEM IN FULL FLEECE SO YOU CAN SEE THE WOOL STAPLE LENGTH?

We prefer to have the rams shorn so we can better see the body conformation.

—John S. McAllister, Secretary
Fairview Land Company
Fairview, Utah

Personally, I prefer shorn rams that can stand the range. A ram's conformation can be determined more easily and quickly if wool is short. I think outstanding studs would sell better in long fleece and I believe most purebred breeders want to see their flock leader in full fleece before they buy. This is just on studs.

I personally think that overfitted rams are just as disappointing as woolled rams. A ram fed up to three pounds of grain daily with long, soft feet just cannot adjust to a ration of scant grass and sagebrush in a few weeks and still carry on as a breeder on the western ranges.

—Rulon S. Wood
Cedar City, Utah

Yes, we prefer to buy range Rambouillets that have been spring-shorn.

—Louis Levy, Foreman
Cunningham Sheep Company
Pendleton, Oregon

I prefer to buy spring-shorn rams for the following reasons:

1. Spring-shorn rams are heartier and will winter much better than unshorn rams.

2. Spring-shorn rams develop into thriftier sheep and show it during their entire life.

3. Spring-shorn rams do much more work than unshorn rams.

—Howard Haynes
Salt Lake City, Utah

I prefer rams in full fleece. You can then get a better idea of their wool length and staple density.

—E. P. Morgan
Riverton, Utah

Your proposed plan for shearing the Rambouillet rams in the spring certainly is a step in the right direction. Shearing rams from the National Ram Sale in the fall has never been satisfactory for us. I have always thought: If the Rambouillet ram growers in Utah think so much of their wool on their rams, why don't they shear them in the spring and then post the average grease weights on the pens at the sale?

If they are really proud of their fleeces, they can send them to the University of Wyoming, and I imagine, to the Utah State Agricultural College, and have them scoured and post the clean weight of the fleeces on the pens at the sale.

In my opinion, it is not the density of the fleece nor the length of the wool, but the pounds, clean or otherwise, per head that we as range growers are interested in.

—Eldon M. Spicer
Spicer Sheep Company
Rock Springs, Wyoming

I prefer rams shorn so I can see their body conformation.

—Andrew Little, Jr.
Emmett, Idaho

I prefer all rams being shorn. I also think that growers or raisers of rams should feed and care for the rams until the sale is over. This is supposed to be, but hasn't been, the case in the past.

—L. W. Roberts
Cokeville, Wyoming

I prefer seeing rams shorn.

—George L. Beal
Ephraim, Utah

Body conformation is very important to me in raising Rambouillet sheep, and I prefer to buy my rams shorn.

—Sam F. Allen
Lyman, Utah

I am glad to learn all of your range rams will be shorn for your August sale. Unshorn rams purchased in August must

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be shorn before they can be used. That does not give them enough time to get a winter coat.

Good body conformation is as important as the fleece of wool. I believe a uniform date for shearing should be set so that both fleece and body conformation could be judged. I do not intend to purchase any more unshorn Rambouillet rams. Rams shorn in March will give much better service than those shorn earlier.

—Lloyd Sorensen
Elko, Nevada

When you buy a ram in full fleece you can see the quality of the wool and length and staple. If we are to compete with the Australian fine wools, we must breed for finer wool.

I think we had better pay more attention to wool than body conformation in the Rambouillet.

—A. C. Dalby
Levan, Utah

I would prefer to have them sheared but not blocked.

—Chris Anderson
Sheridan, Montana

I'd rather see them shorn.

—Joe Echegaray
Elko, Nevada

I think that rams should be shorn before they are shown.

—Wm. S. Young
Wanship, Utah

Shorn rams are better, I think.

—C. D. Michaelson
Logan, Utah

Frankly, I do not know where the advantage lies. Lambs that are shorn after January 1, reveal their conformation more accurately, but the buyer loses from five to six pounds of wool and, in these times, the wool he takes off from the ram he purchases may be the total net profit on his year's operation. Generally speaking, I don't think the value of the wool on the ram's back is taken into account in the bidding.

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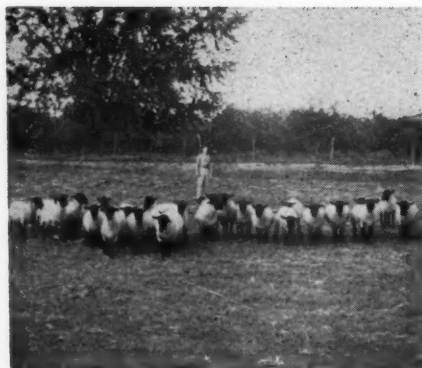
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MYRTHEN N. MOON

SPRINGVILLE, UTAH

QUIZ

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A ram shorn on the first day of January and highly fed and well fitted will have a very good staple by August 15, and a good pair of shears can do a great deal to conceal the defects in body conformation.

A painstaking sheepman can reasonably well feel out the body conformation of rams in full fleece. This requires time and patience, but it is well worth the results.

I take it that the buyer of Rambouillet rams is concerned not about the ram himself but about the sheep he will produce. We want size. More than ever before, livestock men, both cattle and sheep, are concerned with size. In the case of the ram, we want size, ruggedness, and masculinity. These things must shape up into a good conformation. This takes care of the body.

Now as to wool, we want length. It has been proved over and over again that the length of fiber is the most important factor in the amount of clean wool produced by a sheep. After length, we want fineness and quality of fiber, which means a good crimp. We like the fiber nice and white. And it is very important that the ram have a fleece that is reasonably uniform all over the body. Too often we find two and even three grades of wool in the fleece of one sheep.

I take it that we are trying to find a yardstick to apply to the ram that will give us, with reasonable accuracy, the kind of sheep the ram will produce.

Often the character and honesty of the breeder are helpful yardsticks in determining this problem. It is regrettable that many breeders of purebred stock, in their eagerness to win, falsify the records as to age and employ every trick of the trade to conceal defects. As a rule, however, I think that the alert sheepman can know the trustworthy from the doubtful.

I would give a great deal for a sure-fire answer or solution to this problem: how to buy dependable rams.

—Chas. Redd
La Sal, Utah

I prefer to buy rams that are shorn in the spring.

—Carl H. Seely
Meeker, Colorado

I do not believe that range Rambouillet rams being consigned to the National Ram Sale should be shorn. The vast majority of sheep growers can well determine the body conformation with the wool on. What one can't determine is the wool quality and staple when rams are sold shorn. In a short time I believe they will revert back to

their original method of selling, with a full fleece.

—Julian Arrien
Vale, Oregon



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SHEEPMEN'S CALENDAR

National Association Events

AUGUST 18-19: 40TH NATIONAL RAM SALE, OGDEN, UTAH.

JANUARY 23-26, 1956: 91ST ANNUAL MEETING, NWGA, FORT WORTH, TEXAS.

Conventions and Meetings

October 28-29: Western South Dakota Sheep Growers' Convention, Belle Fourche, South Dakota.

November 1-3: Wyoming Wool Growers' Convention, Casper, Wyoming.

November 6-8: Idaho Wool Growers' Convention, Boise, Idaho.

November 10-12: Oregon Wool Growers' Convention, Portland, Oregon.

November 13-15: Washington Wool Growers Convention, Yakima, Washington.

December 5-7: Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Convention, Ft. Worth, Texas.

January 9-11, 1956: Utah Wool Growers' Convention, Salt Lake City, Utah.

JANUARY 23-26, 1956: NWGA CONVENTION, FT. WORTH, TEXAS.

Sales

AUGUST 18-19: NATIONAL RAM SALE, OGDEN, UTAH.

August 25: Southern Oregon Ram Sale, Lakeview, Oregon.

September 3: Columbia Stud, Ewe and Ram Sale, Douglas, Wyoming.

September 15: Montana Ram Sale, Miles City, Montana.

September 15: Salt Lake Ram Sale, North Salt Lake, Utah.

September 29: Annual Sheep Sale, U. S. Experiment Station, Dubois, Idaho.

October 4: Columbia Range Ram Sale, Rawlins, Wyoming.

Shows

October 15-22: Pacific International Livestock Exposition, North Portland, Oregon.

October 28-November 6: Grand National Livestock Exposition, Cow Palace, San Francisco.

November 11-16: Golden Spike National Livestock Show, Ogden, Utah.

November 11-16: National Columbia Show and Sale, Ogden, Utah.

November 25-December 3: International Live Stock Exposition, Chicago, Illinois.

January 13-21, 1956: National Western Stock Show, Denver, Colorado.



Swift's Chicago Food Exhibit

THE Nation's radio and television lady broadcasters got better acquainted with the livestock-meat industry during their convention in Chicago. Through a tour of the Swift "Food For Life" exhibit at Chicago's Museum of Science and Industry, they were given a view of the immense job of producing and distributing food for our Nation. Here "Wooley," week-old lamb at the Swift "Food For Life" exhibit greets (left to right) Betty Ross, of Chicago, co-chairman of the convention; Jane Dolton, Spartansburg, South Carolina, president of the national organization; and Porter M. Jarvis, president of Swift & Company, who was host.

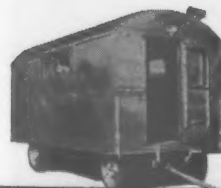
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The above paragraphs are taken from the summary of Farmers' Bulletin No. 2080, "Grass Crops in Conservation Farming," which has just been issued by the USDA. Copies may be obtained for 15 cents (each) from the Superintendent of Documents, United States Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C.

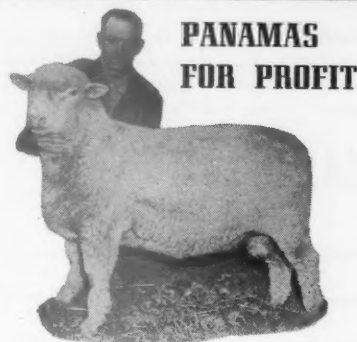
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(Continued from page 3.)

This is the first known outbreak of scrapie in California since August, 1952, when the first report of the disease in that State was made. Thousands of exposed sheep were slaughtered at that time before the disease was believed to be eradicated. Scrapie has also been found in other States in the past few years.

URANIUM BOOM DRAWS LABOR

The uranium boom is causing farm labor shortages in southeastern Utah. Many men, it is said, are being absorbed by the uranium mining activities in that section of the State.

SALT WATER RESEARCH

On June 29 the President approved an amendment to the Saline Water Act of 1952 which authorizes the Interior Department to carry out an expanded research program for converting salt water to fresh water of suitable quality for agricultural, industrial, municipal and other beneficial uses.

The new legislation permits use of existing Federal research laboratories up to two and one-half million dollars as well as non-Federal research facilities. The new law also increases from six million to 10 million dollars, the total amount of the authorization for this program and extends the program through the fiscal year 1963 instead of 1958 as previously scheduled for termination.

PILLSBURY PROMOTES POWELL

Pillsbury Mills vice president Howard Files has announced the appointment of A. L. ("Bill") Powell as director of public relations for the company.

He replaces Ward B. Stevenson who resigned to become vice president of Benton & Bowles advertising agency in New York.

Powell joined Pillsbury's public relations department six years ago. Born in Australia, he became a newspaperman there, writing for the Sydney Morning Herald. He was appointed press secretary to the United States Ambassador to Australia in 1948. He joined Pillsbury in 1949 and was named assistant director of public relations last February.

UNION PACIFIC SCHOLARSHIPS

A total of 6,900 Carl Raymond Gray scholarships have been given by the Union Pacific Railroad from 1921 through 1954.

Two \$100 scholarships are awarded annually to outstanding 4-H Club boys and girls and vocational agricultural students in each of the counties the railroad serves in Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Idaho, Oregon, Washington, Montana, California and Nevada.

Up to 1955 the Union Pacific had expended almost one-half million dollars in its scholarship program.

HISLOP WASHINGTON'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEMAN

It is customary procedure for the first vice president of the Washington Wool Growers Association to serve as Washington's member of the Executive Committee of the National Wool Growers Association.

When a change in the officers of the association became necessary last spring due to the resignation of Phil Bloom as secretary, Corwin H. King became president and the NATIONAL WOOL GROWER failed to list the new first vice president, George K. Hislop of Yakima as executive committeeman. The change is made in this issue. Mr. Hislop is the son of Mrs. William Hislop and the late William (Bill) Hislop of Spokane.

NEW CSS AND CCC OFFICIAL

Effective July 1, Frank C. Daniels of Binghamton, New York, became general sales manager of the Commodity Stabilization Service, vice president of the Commodity Credit Corporation and special adviser to the CCC board of directors. His primary responsibility will be to expand and strengthen sales efforts in moving CCC stocks.

ARS ASSISTANT RETIRES

Hugh C. McPhee, assistant director of livestock research in the Agricultural Research Service, retired on June 30 after being with the USDA for 32 years. Mr. McPhee is particularly noted for his initiation of studies on the inbreeding of swine which led to the development of the "meat-type" hog.

"ONLY SAFE WAY IS TO TEST IT"

ROBERT H. Burns, wool specialist of the Wyoming Agricultural Experiment Station, is the author of the bulletin, "Clean Values From Wool Shrinkage," just released as Bulletin 333 by the Station at Laramie.

"The importance of wool shrinkages in obtaining the yield of clean wool in Wyoming clips is becoming increasingly important," Dr. Burns says in his summary of the bulletin.

"The results over a period of years indicate the wide variations to be found in any one kind of wool in different years in the same region and between different kinds of wool in the same year and in the same region.

"These results indicate the importance of obtaining routine tests each year of Wyoming clips for their shrinkage. This information coupled with a knowledge of the grade and length of the wool will put the range sheepmen in proper bargaining position when they set out to sell their wool.

"There is no rule of thumb to apply shrinkages of similar wools in other years to this year's clip. In the past, one always heard the remark, 'This wool is lighter, heavier, or the same as last year, etc., etc.' The results over the years indicate the fallacy of such statement, for the clips vary widely and cannot be appraised accurately by this method. The only safe way is to TEST IT.

"Commercial means of testing the shrinkage of clean-wool yield of wool clips are now available to the sheepmen for the first time in history. Take advantage of this valuable tool. Progressive sheepmen are taking advantage of it and are having commercial companies take routine tests of the shrinkage of their clips each year.

"The two commercial companies who offer this core-testing service are: American Conditioning House, H. J. Wollner, Manager, 11 Melcher Street, Boston 10, Massachusetts, and U. S. Testing Company, Berry Duff, Manager, Denver Testing House, 4639 Lafayette Street, Denver 16, Colorado."

WOOL LABELING BATTLE IN THE OFFING

The National Retail Dry Goods Association, for some time now, has been

preparing a textile fiber labeling bill. On June 22, 1955, Senator Barry Goldwater of Arizona introduced the measure as S.2288. The purpose of the bill is "to protect consumers and others against failure to identify, misbranding, and false advertising of the fiber content of textile fiber products." Its short title is "Textile Fiber Products Representation Act."

There has not been sufficient time available to study this proposal in detail. There has, however, been plenty of time to become greatly concerned about it, as Section 13 of its provisions would repeal all existing labeling laws, except that on furs. This would mean an end to the Wool Products Labeling Act.

Meantime, the American Farm Bureau Federation has signified its intention of having introduced its own labeling bill. It, according to the press report, will not be a substitute for any existing acts, but merely an addition to them.

Information from Western Senators indicates that while no action on this labeling question will be attempted now, it will be the center of a stiff battle at the next session, as the retailers' association are expected to exert considerable pressure for the enactment of their bill.

TEXAS DISEASE CONTROL

As a result of considerable effort on the part of Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association officials, the State legislature appropriated \$14,000 to indemnify owners of scrapie-exposed sheep and an additional \$125,280 a year for the next two years to be used by the Livestock Sanitary Commission in eradicating scabies from the State.

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The Ram's Importance

THE ram holds the key position in flock improvement, according to Professor P. R. McMahon of the wool section of the New South Wales (Australia) University of Technology.

"The scope of culling and selection depends on the sex of the sheep. In ewes nearly all young stock are needed for flock replacement, and it is seldom that much more than 30 percent can be culled under present conditions in Australia," Professor McMahon states. "With rams, on the other hand, the num-

ber needed for replacement is relatively small, and only the very best—about 2 percent—are required for use in the flock. This emphasizes the key position of the ram in flock improvement. The genetic improvement resulting from the selection of ewes is disappointingly small. In practice, substantial improvement can be achieved in a flock only through the rams, either by using an outside strain already of a high standard, or by closing the flock and creating a group of specially chosen sheep from which rams would be bred."

Professor McMahon asserts that better sheep breeding methods, by doubling the rate of progress in productivity, could bring a cumulative gain of about \$12,880,000 a year to Australia at present wool price levels and suggests that wool growers should recognize their responsibilities in this matter.



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NEW STOCK SHOW MANAGER APPOINTED

Willard Simms has been appointed manager of the National Western Stock Show. He succeeds the late John T. Caine III. Mr. Simms has been editor of the Record Stockman for the past eight years, and is resigning from that post. He was the unanimous choice of the stock show's executive committee to handle the National Western.

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AVERAGE FARM AND PARITY PRICES ON JUNE 15

The average price per pound of wool received by farmers on June 15 as calculated by the Agricultural Marketing Service, was 44.7 cents. A month earlier it was 46.9 cents. On June 15, 1954, the average price was 55.3 cents.

The effective parity price for wool the middle of June was 59.2 cents, the same as a month earlier. A year ago (June 15, 1954) it was 48.9 cents. The June 15 average price this year was 76 percent of parity.

The June 15 average per hundredweight price received by farmers for lambs was \$20.10. It was \$1.90 higher than that of May 15 and 80 cents below that of June 15, 1954.

The parity price for lambs was \$23.30 on June 15, the same as a month earlier; a year ago it was \$23.00. The average price received by farmers for lambs on June 15 this year was 86 percent of parity.

Scourable Branding Fluid

THE solution to the "ancient and grievous" problem of stains in wool by the use of unsuitable branding fluid is at hand. It is Si-Ro-Mark, a fluid now in process of manufacture in Australia. Large quantities of it are expected to be used there during the coming season. The paint will be manufactured only in red, blue and green colors so that in the future black marks on wool will automatically show that the scourable paint has not been used.

Announcement of this new Australian branding fluid was made by T. G. Carter at the recent annual conference of the International Wool Textile Organization in Munich. Mr. Carter is chairman of the Australian Wool Growers Council, vice president of the Graziers' Federal Council and a member of the Australian Wool Bureau.

Our own USDA, wool growers will recall, put out a branding paint formula that approached scourability a few years ago. A paint based on this formula was placed on the market by the Jourgenson Paint Company of Casper, Wyoming. Also, the Pacific Wool Growers have been offering a scourable branding fluid during the current year.

"Scourability of the wool having paint brands made by the USDA formula," writes a USDA official recently, "has been satisfactory under usual mill procedures that involve the regular scouring liquors of soap and soda ash. When neutral detergents alone have been used, some brand marks have been found remaining in the scoured wool, but when back washing has been employed in the processing, we have found no brand marks in the resulting tops."

The animal and poultry husbandry research branch of the Agricultural Research Service, USDA, is doing further experimental work at the United States Sheep Experiment Station, Dubois, Idaho, in an effort to develop sheep branding fluids of maximum perfection for maintaining the identity of sheep between annual shearings and for complete satisfaction in scourability under normal mill conditions. A progress report on the research has been asked of the Agricultural Research Service.

At about the same time that the USDA announced its formula, Australian interests put out L.B.E. as a scourable branding paint. It proved, however, not to be fully effective when applied to wet sheep and sometimes blurred when heavy rains fell immediately after marking. Si-Ro-Mark, it is believed, overcomes these disadvantages. The Australian Embassy at

Washington, D. C., has assured the USDA that they will secure and furnish information about Si-Ro-Mark as quickly as possible.

Complaints reaching the National Wool Growers Association office this season indicate that the branding paint problem continues to be serious. If its solution can be obtained and wool growers everywhere will take advantage of it, a very real advance will be made in wool industry improvement.

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IN grateful recognition of 21 years' outstanding service, the trophy shown above was given to D. H. Adams of Layton, Utah, early this year. The occasion was his resignation as a director of the Utah Livestock Production Credit Association. He had held that post in the organization since its beginning in 1934. He is also a past president of the Utah Livestock P.C.A.

"During the period, 1934 to 1955," Mr. Adams states, "the Utah Livestock P.C.A. loaned a total of \$82 million to sheep and cattle outfits; and of that amount, \$7,000 is the total loss. The livestock people are wonderful to deal with. They have no intent of beating you. When they sign a note they intend to pay it in full. That is my opinion of them."

The trophy carries the names of the present Utah Livestock P.C.A. Board of Directors: Delbert Chipman of American Fork, W. S. Hatch of Woods Cross, John Jorgensen of Salina, B. H. Stringham of Vernal, Emory C. Smith of Salt Lake City and Arthur Smith, secretary-treasurer. They, of course, speak for the stockholders of the Utah Livestock Production Credit Association, and undoubtedly everyone who knows Dell Adams would like to join in this well-deserved tribute.

GOOD RAMS PAY BIG DIVIDENDS

FURTHER conclusive evidence that good rams don't cost—but PAY DIVIDENDS—was shown at the recent California Ram Sale. Consignors of the top-selling Hampshire and top-selling Suffolk at that sale have both been successful bidders on top-selling, high-quality stud rams at the National Ram Sale, showcase of the Nation.

Frank Brown, Jr., Carlton, Oregon, purchased the top-selling Hampshire at the 1952 National Ram Sale. This is the animal which sired the top-selling Hampshire at this year's California Sale. Likewise, the consignor of the top-selling Suffolk at the California Ram Sale, Mabel Liskey Henzel, Lost River Ranch, Klamath Falls, Oregon, also believes in buying the very best rams for her flock. She was successful bidder at the 1954 National for the top-selling \$2550 Suffolk stud ram.

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PASTURES

Showers of the past week were very beneficial for pastures in the Pacific Northwest, and upland ranges are mostly in good to excellent condition. In the far Southwest ranges are drying and need rain badly. Some improvement was noted in pastures locally in southeastern New Mexico, but elsewhere in the State they are too dry, with some deterioration in the northern portion. Range and pasture feed is curing rapidly in Texas, and supplemental feeding of livestock is increasing in the western and southern portions. Rain is needed in Oklahoma, and particularly in the western two-thirds of Kansas where pastures are deteriorating. Over the northern Great Plains their condition is mostly good, but rain will be needed soon in Nebraska. In the Mississippi and Ohio Valleys and Great Lakes region the pasture condition is unusually good. Pasture feed is generally adequate in the Atlantic and Gulf coastal areas, but rain would be helpful locally in some sections and particularly in the Northeast.

CALIFORNIA

Temperatures averaged generally well below normal, except on north coast where near normal. Light, widely scattered showers in north coastal, northern mountains, some Sierra Nevada districts. Forest fire danger throughout State generally below normal. In upper Sacramento Valley, cool weather slowed growth of crops; showers during week dampened alfalfa, but no damage reported. In lower San Joaquin Valley, continued much-below-normal temperatures; cool weather favorable for ranges but slowed up ripening of fruit.

Chico, Butte County
July 8, 1955

There have been no wool transactions here in the past 30 days. From 40 to 45 cents has been offered on 12-months' clips. About the same has been offered for lamb's wool. We sold our wool in April for 61 cents. The average fleece weight was 9.8 pounds, with an estimated 48 percent shrink. Our wool was largely half blood and fine with some three-eighths.

It has been cool and dry here lately. We had less rain and snow this spring than last, and though the summer range is good now, it will not be good later. It's too dry.

Some late sales of fat lambs were made from \$19 to \$20. Feeder lambs

brought \$16 and \$17 and fine-wooled ewe lambs sold from \$20 to \$23. White-faced crossbred ewe lambs brought about the same—from \$20 to \$23.

Sales of fine-wooled yearling ewes have been made here recently at \$21 per head.

We have had some trouble with flies, but we spray them with DDT and Lindane.

I am in favor of Section 708 of the National Wool Act.

—R. R. McEnespy

Dixon, Solano County
July 6, 1955

Our overhead expenses and costs are still too far out of line compared to what we receive.

We have received from 50 to 60 cents per pound for our wool, grading three-eighths, quarter, half blood and fine. The prices in this range depended on the quality of the wool.

Weather and feed conditions on the range have been good since the first of July. The range is in above average condition, much better than the past two or three years.

Fat lambs have sold here from 19 to 20 cents; feeder lambs from 16 to 17 cents; fine-wooled ewe lambs at 20 cents; whitefaced crossbred ewe lambs at 20 cents; and mixed lots at 18½ cents.

In recent sales of yearling ewes, some fine-wooled yearlings sold at \$23 and some whitefaced crossbreds at \$20.

—Robert T. McKensie

COLORADO

Temperatures below seasonal in west, above in east; maxima 100 and above in extreme east and southeast. Precipitation near normal in lower Platte Valley, very light and widely scattered elsewhere. Hot, drying winds on eastern plains. All sections need moisture. Spring grains heading; poor to fair stands; many fields weedy. Pastures and ranges good on higher elevations and in irrigated areas, poor to fair elsewhere. Alfalfa fair; some damage by aphid. Livestock very good.

IDAHO

Temperatures still much below normal in all areas. Numerous reports of temperatures near freezing on July 2, with scattered damage to peas and corn. Moderate to heavy rains in north, mostly light elsewhere. Rains delayed haying in north and

caused considerable damage to cherries in Lewiston area, but in general moisture very beneficial, particularly to grains and range grasses. Harvesting first crop of hay practically completed in southwest and just beginning in parts of north and higher elevations of south-central and east. Dryland wheat and upland pastures and ranges in good to excellent condition.

Grace, Bannock County
June 29, 1955

Range conditions here have been much better than in the past few years. Feed on the summer range has been plentiful so far.

Most wool here has been consigned. Some sold at 43 cents, and some for 46 cents.

Range is getting more difficult to obtain each year, and prices for wool and lamb are not increasing sufficiently to justify our expenses.

—F. M. Cooper

Malad, Oneida County
July 7, 1955

Weather and feed conditions are better this year than they have been in 10 years. The range is drying out at the present time, however.

We summer all of our sheep on private range.

We saved about five percent more lambs per hundred ewes this year than last.

Wool sold in May in the wool pool here at 46 cents.

Twenty-five dollars has been offered here for fine-wooled yearling ewes.

—Frank Clark

Rexburg, Madison County
July 1, 1955

The group I sold my wool with sold at different prices, from 43 cents to 46½ cents.

Range conditions are good in eastern Idaho this year, and there should be some very good lambs. I don't go to the summer range until after July 15, but conditions there are the best in years.

Some whitefaced crossbred yearling ewes recently sold at \$23 per head, out of the wool.

—Calvin Cooper

MONTANA

Cold. Showers and thundershowers general; amounts moderate to heavy, except light in northwest and southeast. Numerous hailstorms east of Divide, mostly on 6th. Except for local areas, soil moisture adequate to abundant. Cool, wet weather slowing crop growth. Winter wheat heads longer than average in east, generally about average in rest of State. Crop prospects good. Inclement weather delaying haying operations; about one-half of first cutting of alfalfa harvested. Ranges and cattle excellent.

Jordan, Garfield County
July 1, 1955

I wish that we had a more definite value on our wool. About 25,000 pounds sold here recently at 46¼ cents.

Fine-wooled yearling ewes in the wool brought \$17 recently.

It's been a cool spring here and we've had good grass. Conditions for July of this year are similar to last July.

Offers of 15 cents for mixed feeder lambs have been made.

—Ralph Robertson

Park City, Stillwater County
July 5, 1955

Feed has been very good here, much better than June last year. We do not take our sheep to the summer range.

Some wool has been sold here for 52½ cents.

About half of the 1955 clip has been sold here. Prices are weaker than last year.

I think that conditions will improve if we work hard at it and keep well organized.

—E. H. Reimann

NEVADA

Record daily low temperatures over west and north early in week. Cool air mass kept temperatures below normal all week. No precipitation reported until Sunday night, as a low pressure area gradually developed over Great Basin. Drought conditions persist, but cool weather some help. Crops late. Ranges fair in north, considering lack of moisture.

McGill, White Pine County
July 1, 1955

We must have some protection from foreign products. We cannot compete with their cheap labor and lower standards of living.

There has been no action on wool here lately, but sizable lots sold earlier in the season at 55 cents.

Range conditions were very much improved here by rains that fell around the first of June. Feed on the summer range is in very good to fair condition.

I have not heard of any lambs being contracted, but I have been told that we could get 15 cents for our feeders



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Some dry ewes of mixed ages recently sold at \$15 per head.

Halogeton is getting to be a serious problem here.

—Magnuson Ranch

NEW MEXICO

Warm week. Very scattered and light showers in north, more general and locally moderate in south. Irrigated crops growing rapidly under influence of warm weather. Winter grain harvest well along on eastern plains, just beginning in later districts; yields light. Dryland crops spotted; most areas need moisture; some sections still too dry to plant. Ranges improving locally in southeast, but mostly too dry elsewhere with some deterioration in north. Considerable supplemental feeding necessary in drier areas. Livestock generally in good condition.

Tinnie, Lincoln County

July 8, 1955

Range feed conditions have been very bad here. They are much worse this year than last.

The incentive program has worked against us and helped the woolen mills, so it seems.

—Leo Pacheco

OREGON

Continued very cool, cloudy weather. Sunshine generally adequate east of Cascades, definitely deficient in West. Some hail damage in Malheur County. Showers delayed picking western strawberries, molded considerable berries, damaged cut hay, and lodged some fields of heavy standing hay. Showers very favorable for improvement of grain, pastures and ranges.

Burns, Harney County

June 30, 1955

We must all get behind Section 708 of the Wool Act of 1954. The way the wool market has hit the rocks, it is imperative that we do something to advertise our products.

Weather and feed conditions are very good here at the time of this writing. The last few rains we had are helping the summer range to look good.

Some fine-wooled yearling ewes sold out of the wool recently at \$19 per head. Crossbred yearling ewes (whitefaced) brought about the same.

From 45 to 48 cents per pound has been paid here for fine and half blood wool.

—Peter Obiague

Paisley, Lake County

June 30, 1955

Feed has been very dry and short here. Conditions are not as good as they have been in the past two or three years. Timber feed seems to be okay, but anything in the open is burning up.

Our grazing permit numbers have not been reduced this year. We have no

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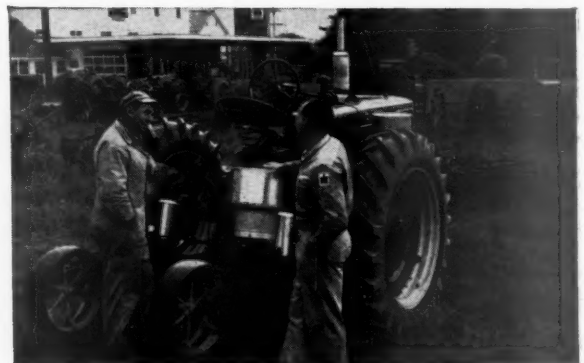
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RANGE COUNTRY

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trouble with the Forest Service.

Feeder lambs have been contracted here at 16 cents. Mixed lots have also been contracted at 16 cents.

Much of the wool has been sold here at 48 cents. I understand the farm pool brought 45 cents per pound.

The future for the industry doesn't look too encouraging. This wool bill seems to help everybody but the grower. Our operating costs are as high as they were when lambs were 25 cents.

—Jerry O'Leary

Silver Lake, Lake County
July 7, 1955

Some half blood to fine wool has sold at 48 cents.

Weather and feed conditions have been poor. They are way below normal for this time of year.

Feeder lambs have sold here at 16 cents per pound.

—Mrs. J. W. O'Keefee

SOUTH DAKOTA

Scattered showers and rather warm. Most favored area for moisture since July 1 extreme northeast and narrow strip along North Dakota border, also extreme southeast; elsewhere getting rather dry, particularly in south-central. Several reports of severe hail damage in small local areas. Corn growing rapidly; good color. Second cutting of alfalfa over two-fifths completed. Harvest of wild hay getting under way.

Wood, Mellette County
July 5, 1955

Weather and feed conditions on the range have been very good. They are better than during the past two or three years. Feed on the summer range is good, but it could use some rain.

We have some tick problems here, but we spray our sheep.



J. T. Davis, Sterling City, Texas (right) paid \$500 for this ram consigned by Miles Pierce, Alpine, Texas (left), to top the 19th Annual Registered Ram Sale, June 18 at San Angelo, Texas. (Photo courtesy Sheep & Goat Raiser Magazine).

Some growers have sold their wool with burrs for 46 cents, while others have sold for 50 cents. We took our wool to Newell, South Dakota and consigned it.

I think that "Around the Range Country" is a very interesting part of the NATIONAL WOOL GROWER.

—Al. G. Anderson

TEXAS

Typical hot, dry July weather, except for moderate to heavy tropical rains in lower Rio Grande Valley late in week in connection with easterly wave from gulf. Rain in extreme south ranged from one to four inches. Baling hay and harvesting forage crops active. Range and pasture feed curing rapidly. Supplemental cattle feeding increasing in west and south.

Junction, Kimble County
July 1, 1955

Sore muzzle or blue tongue is rather prevalent in some pastures in this area. We also have some trouble with screw worms.

Wool is much slower in price and sales than last year—from 10 to 20 cents per pound cheaper.

It has been hot and dry here, although range conditions are slightly improved over what they've been during the past few seasons. Feed on the summer range is getting dry and is still very short.

Fat lambs have been contracted in this section at from 16 to 17 cents per pound. Feeder lambs and mixed lots have been contracted at from 15 to 16 cents.

From \$12 to \$14 per head was paid in recent sales of fine-wool yearling ewes, and about the same price was paid for whitefaced crossbreds.

I doubt the success of the new wool program without an unusual loss to the Government in meeting the average price of 62 cents per pound.

—R. D. Kothmann

Junction, Kimble County
July 5, 1955

A lot of the growers and warehousemen here feel that the better wool clips should sell for not less than 60 cents. In May, some of the not so attractive clips sold for 55 cents.

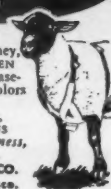
We are vaccinating and spraying our sheep in this area for any insect menaces.

Feed conditions are very bad in this part of Texas, worse than last year. What was earlier thought to be cheap feed, has proved not to be so cheap.

Fat lambs have been sold from \$16 to \$20 per hundredweight, while feeders brought from \$15 to \$16. Some fine-wooled ewe lambs are being held for better prices. There hasn't been much demand for crossbred ewe lambs. Lambs

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A few yearling ewes have sold here at \$15 per head. Whitefaced crossbred yearling ewe prices are a little weak in this area.

—G. R. Kothmann

Valley Spring, Llano County
July 10, 1955

We have had a little trouble here with worms. We are doctoring our sheep with 335.

Weather and feed conditions have been good here since the first of July—

much better than for the same month a year ago. Feed on the summer range is fair, but it's getting dry.

—R. G. Kuykendall

UTAH

Mostly clear to partly cloudy. No precipitation reported, except light showers at Wendover on 11th. Minimum temperatures low most of week with 29° at Bryce Canyon Airport and Woodruff on 9th; during weekend maxima near or above 90°. Cool weather reduced ill effects of drought situation. Reservoir supplies getting low and will not be adequate in some areas for later alfalfa crops or for sugar beets.

Fairview, Sanpete County
July 12, 1955

Small lots of wool sold here for about 40 cents. Range lots sold from 48 to 56 cents.

Feed is good on the range, although rain is needed to keep it that way. Both weather and feed conditions have been above average for this time of year.

—L. L. Petersen

Hyrum, Cache County
July 9, 1955

Lamb and wool prices just don't seem to keep up with the prices of the things we have to buy.

Weather and feed conditions have both been good but we need a rain to keep the feed on the summer range in good shape.

—L. W. Peterson

WASHINGTON

Unusually cool and cloudy over entire State. Cool weather and precipitation beneficial to small grains and pastures in east, but hay damaged in some areas. Spring wheat, oats and peas received greatest damage from high temperatures and lack of moisture earlier in season.

Almota, Whitman County
July 11, 1955

I just have a few sheep. I probably keep them more as a connection with the past than for any other reason, so my contact with the sheep business is mostly through the NATIONAL WOOL GROWER magazine. I have seen several bands of sheep pasturing on sweet clover on the farm land in the "Palouse Country."

We got 45 cents per pound for our wool in the Pendleton area—about \$4.65 per sheep.

—Mike Busch

Yakima, Yakima County
July 5, 1955

With such large amounts of pork and beef being consumed at such low prices, and fewer good lambs to go on market, there may be a strengthening of lamb prices about July 15. (This also may be just wishful thinking.)

High summer ranges are about two weeks later than usual here due to the cold (frosts) weather. Feed is short on the high mountain ranges because of the cold, freezing nights.

Four fine-wool clips went to the Pendleton Woolen Mills at \$1.40 to \$1.45 scoured basis. This netted the grower a return of from 42 cents to 57 cents per pound. Some quarter blood wool sold at \$1.04, clean basis to the Oregon Worsted Mills, f.o.b. Portland.

Due to the cold, backward weather, our forest permit was cut this year. New



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Twelve hundred fine-wooled yearling ewes have been sold at \$26 in the wool, and 1,160 Romney crossbreds at \$22.50 out of the wool. A few sold at \$20.

—H. Stanley Coffin

WYOMING

Temperatures above normal in south-east, below elsewhere. A few scattered showers, mostly east of Divide. Some damaging hail in Worland beet area. Golf ball size hail in Torrington area on 6th. Haying proceeding favorably. Crops beginning to suffer account of dryness.

Elk Mountain, Carbon County July 10, 1955

We can't sell 15 cent lambs and show a profit. Some even talk about lower prices.

It's been very dry here, but the range is vastly improved over what it was at this time last year. Feed on the summer range is about normal.

—Palm Livestock Company

Gillette, Campbell County July 2, 1955

The biggest problem in the sheep business is that we don't have enough people in the business that will speak up loud enough for a tariff on wool to equalize the cost of production and maintain the economy heralded for the United States. In other words, our people as well as our politicians have gone soft. As our late former Senator Hunt wrote me about three years ago . . . "the foreign countries do not like tariffs." But who pays the tariffs, not the foreign countries, but the consumers of the United States, as long as we produce only about 28 percent of the wool in the United States.

Then, our great Senator O'Mahoney warned of the threat of synthetics as competitors to wool. At least synthetics are processed by American labor at American wages, and these people live like Americans and not as those from whom we buy cheaply. After 20 years in the United States Senate, Senator O'Mahoney still thinks we can buy cheap and sell high. That's the kind of representation we have in our Senate, and he has a host of supporters today.

Weather and feed conditions on the range have been very good. Last July our ranch was desert, and we had to feed our ewes. Feed on the summer range

is the best it has been in the past six or seven years.

Worms cause us a little trouble here, if they are not controlled. We feed minerals and other worm eradicators.

Wool is being sold here for 47, 48, and 53 cents. I have heard some rumors of sales as high as 55 cents. As to the grade of the wool, I have no idea what it will run—probably the greater part is half blood and fine.

—Nisselius & Schlottman

McKinley, Converse County July 12, 1955

Range conditions in a large area of Wyoming are good. However, there are

some areas where conditions are still bad; that is, where drought still exists. The country west of Laramie, including Medicine Bow and Rawlins and even Rock Springs, needs moisture very badly, as does eastern Fremont County and some other areas in the State. Generally speaking, however, range conditions are much better than they were a year ago.

—J. B. Wilson

Rawlins, Carbon County July 5, 1955

Range and weather conditions here lately have been fair. They are better than they have been in the past few years at this time of year.

—R. Roy Olson

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